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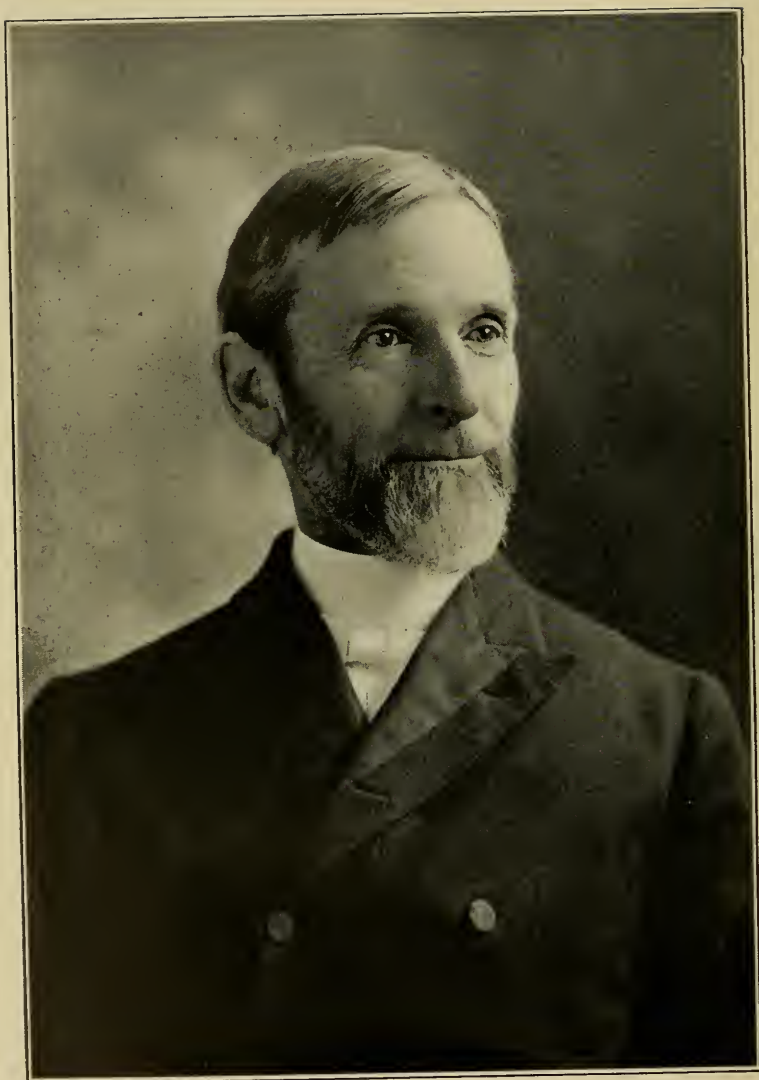












REV. I. ALSTYNE BLAAUVELT, D.D.,  
Moderator of the Synod of New Jersey.



# MINUTES

OF THE

Eighty-Fourth Annual Session

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# Synod of New Jersey

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The Synod of New Jersey met in the First Church, Asbury Park, on Monday, October 15th, 1906, at 8:00 o'clock, P. M.

After devotional services, the sermon opening Synod, in the absence of the Moderator by reason of illness, was delivered by the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Frederick E. Stockwell, from I. John 5:20. The Synod was constituted with prayer by the Vice-Moderator.

The roll was called, and the following members were found to be present :

Roll.

#### **Presbytery of Corisco.**

MINISTER—Robert Hamill Nassau, S.T.D.—1.

#### **Presbytery of Elizabeth.**

MINISTERS—Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., I. Alstyne Blauvelt, D.D., James G. Mason, D.D., William C. Rommel, Samuel Parry, Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D., Henry Elliott Mott, D.D. (2), Eben B. Cobb, D.D., John T. Kerr, William I. Steans, D.D., William Hoppaugh, Charles E. Herring (2), John Sheridan Zelic (2), Joseph O. McKelvey, Frederick D. Tildon, William W. Casselberry, Joseph B. Ferguson (2), Joseph G. Symmes, Charles E. Condit, William B. Hamilton, William Torrence Stuchell (2),

John T. Reeve, Almer W. Karnell, Charles F. Shaw, Herbert K. England, James H. Northrup (2), Thomas D. Wesley (2)—27.

ELDERS—S. Clark Lum (2), Connecticut Farms; Charles H. McBride (2), Elizabeth, First; Nicholas C. J. English, Elizabeth, Second; Adrian F. Bouton, Elizabeth, Third; Cornelius H. Clark, Elizabeth, Westminster; Elias D. Smith (2), Elizabeth, Greystone; Joseph Dobbs, Liberty Corner; Lemuel Neighbour (2), Lower Valley; J. Wheeler Clark, Metuchen; R. H. Radford, Plainfield, First; Leander N. Lovell, Plainfield, Crescent Avenue; Millett H. Coles, Rahway, First; Frederick W. Mershon, Rahway, Second; William P. Stevenson, Roselle; Hiram L. Fink (2), Westfield; William Edgar, Woodbridge; Clifford Willis, Springfield (17).

#### Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS—Henry C. Cronin (2), J. Francis Morgan, Ph.D., Joshua B. Gallaway, D.D., Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., James H. Owens, Charles Alexander Evans, Ph.D. (2), James Scott Young, James Dallas Steele, Ph.D., C. Randolph Knebler, D.D., Samuel R. MacClements, Fisher Howe Booth, Charles Ellis Smith, John C. Scarborough, Ph.D., D.D.—13.

ELDERS—Willard T. Eddy, Bayonne, Christ; Robert C. Haff, Hackensack, First; William G. Hainski, Jersey City, Claremont; Francis French, Jersey City, Westminster; J. S. Biddell, Passaic, First—5.

#### Presbytery of Monmouth.

MINISTERS—Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D., Alexander H. Young, D.D., Samuel H. Thompson, D.D., Henry R. Hall, Charles B. Austin, D.D. (2), Thomas Tyack, D.D., Ormond W. Wright, John Leroy Taylor, D.D., Ph.D., Charles Everett, D.D., Frank R. Symmes (2), William P. Finney, Joseph E. Curry (2), Edgar C. Mason, John G. Lovell, Richard R. Stier (2), Frank Lukens, James M. L. Eckard, Courtlandt P. Butler, Frederick E. Stockwell, William J. Kern (2), Hugh K. Fulton, Spencer C. Dickson (2), Charles L. Candee, Warren N. Nevins (2), Arthur W. Remington—25.

ELDERS—Thomas H. Prior, Belmar; Jacob Wilson, Beverly; W. J. Shults (2), Cranbury, First; David C. Lewis, Cranbury, Second; Joseph E. Dubois (2), Freehold; Levi C. Updike, Hightstown; William H. Miller, Jamesburg; J. L. Jamison (2), Mt. Holly; James Steen, Shrewsbury; A. H. Bergen (2), South Amboy—10.

#### Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS—Baker Smith, D.D., James M. Ludlow, D.D. (2), Wm. W. Halloway, D.D., Walter W. Hammond, D.D., John H. Brown, Joseph D. Hillman, Thomas A. Reeves, James F. Riggs, D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D., Charles B. Bullard (2), George L.

Richmond, Edwin R. Murgatroyd, Stanley White, Robert J. Johnston, Wendell Prime Keeler, Robert H. Nichols, Ph.D. (2), Robert P. Howie (2)—17.

ELDERS—Richard H. Allen, Chatham; A. Judson Coe, Dover, Memorial; John G. Withrow (2), East Orange, Brick; William A. Ward, Mendham; Frederick H. De Coster, Morristown, First; John Oliver, New Vernon; Nathaniel Tooker, Orange, Central; I. Remsen Lane, Orange, Hillside; Samuel E. Young, South Orange, First; Theodore M. Timms (2), St. Cloud—10.

### **Presbytery of Newark.**

MINISTERS—Isaiah B. Hopwood, D.D. (2), David R. Frazer, D.D. (2), Julius H. Wolff, Davis W. Lusk, D.D. (2), Nelson B. Chester (2), Robert Scott Inglis, D.D., Llewellyn S. Fulmer (2), Joseph F. Folsom, Joseph Hamilton (2), Israel L. White (2), Joseph Hunter, Albert N. Stubblebine (2), Thomas B. Shannon (2)—13.

ELDERS—Thomas Russell (2), Montclair, First; Ebenezer A. Smith, Montclair, Trinity; William S. Hartshorn (2), Newark, First; Robert S. Grummon, Newark, Third; Waldo C. Genung, Newark, Sixth; Alexander L. Runyon, Newark, Fifth Avenue; Hamilton D. Disbrow, Newark, Forrest Hill; William B. Dodd, Newark, High Street; Joseph Weber, Jr., Newark, Memorial—9.

### **Presbytery of New Brunswick.**

MINISTERS—Amzi L. Armstrong (2), Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., Daniel R. Foster, William W. Knox, D.D., John Dixon, D.D. (2), Walter A. Brooks, D.D., James W. Rogan, D.D., Samuel McLanahan, Sylvester W. Beach, Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D. (2), Henry Collin Minton, D.D., LL.D. (2), George H. Ingram, James B. Clark, John D. Davis, D.D., LL.D., D. Ruby Warne, Francis Palmer (2), Joseph Howell, George H. Bucher, Cordie J. Culp, Frederick B. Newman, Egidius Kellmayer (2), Matthew F. Johnston (2).

ELDERS—Andrew K. Hageman, Bound Brook; Thomas D. Brokaw (2), Dutch Neck; Wallace Lanning, Ewing; E. T. McGalliard (2), Hamilton Square; Howard Gulick (2), Kingston; Augustus R. Van Mater, New Brunswick, First; William Harrison Muirheid, Pennington; John C. Conover, Princeton, First; Henry N. Van Dyke, Princeton, Second; William Elmer M.D. (2), Trenton, First; Robert L. Dobbins (2), Trenton, Third; Isaac F. Richey (2), Trenton, Prospect Street; Ebenezer Mackey, Trenton, Bethany; N. H. Furman, Lawrenceville—14.

### **Presbytery of Newton.**

MINISTERS—William Thomson, Henry S. Butler, D.D. (2), James De Hart Bruen, Percy Y. Schelly, Edward Snyder, Clarence W. Rouse, James W. Martin, Irvin F. Wagner—8.

ELDERS—George M. Shipman, Belvidere, First; Albert G. Crevelling, Bloomsbury; Anthony F. O'Donnell, Newton; John S. Stone, Stewartsville—4.

### Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS—Alfred P. Botsford, D.D., Frederick R. Brace, D.D., James M. Huntting, George W. Tomson, William V. Louderbough, Robert Westly Peach, Joseph Lyons Ewing, R. Hiliard Gage, Thomas C. Stirling, Ph.D., Walter L. Steiner, Harold S. Rambo, Samuel D. Price, Arthur Richards (2)—13.

ELDERS—P. Kennedy Reeves, Bridgeton, First; William Cumine, Camden, Second; John Ott, Deerfield; Eben S. Mattis, Haddonfield—4.

### CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

From the Synod of Pennsylvania, Rev. James A. Worden, D.D., James Stuart Dickson, D.D.; from the Synod of New York, Rev. Judson Swift, D.D., Rev. Abram Woodruff Halsey, D.D., Rev. Frederick Jonte Stanley, D.D., L.H.D., Rev. John Fox, D.D.—6.

### MEMBERS PRESENT.

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
Corisco, .....	1	
Elizabeth, .....	27	17
Jersey City, .....	13	5
Monmouth, .....	25	10
Morris and Orange, .....	17	10
Newark, .....	13	9
New Brunswick, .....	22	14
Newton, .....	8	4
West Jersey, .....	13	4
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Ministers, .....	139	73
Elders, .....	73	
Corresponding members, .....	6	
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Moderator.

Rev. I. Alstynne Blauvelt, D.D., of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, was elected Moderator.

Arrangements.

The Committee of Arrangements reported, and the report was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That the services of this evening conclude with the reading of suitable portions of the Necrological Report and the observance of the Lord's Supper.

2. That the sessions of the Synod begin at 9:00 A. M.; that recess be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P. M., and from 5:00 to 7:30 P. M., and that the devotional services occupy the last half hour of each morning session.

3. That in view of the proposal of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions, to make particular observance of the twentieth anniversary of Synodical Home Mission work in New Jersey at this meeting of the Synod, the usual order for Tuesday be modified so that the order for the morning shall be: Foreign Missions, with an address by Rev. A. W. Halsey, D.D.; Systematic Beneficence; Sabbath-school Work, with an address by Rev. James A. Worden, D.D., followed by the Narrative. The order for the afternoon to be: Historical Materials, with a review of the committee's work by Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D.; Home Missions, with an address by the Rev. John Dixon, D.D.; a brief address for the American Tract Society, by the Rev. Judson Swift, D.D.; Young People's Societies. The evening to be given to a popular meeting in the interest of Synodical Home Missions and the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the committee.

4. That the order for Wednesday be: Synodical Home Missions, consideration of the report and action thereon; Sabbath Observance, with an address by Rev. Frederick J. Stanley, D.D.; Temperance, with the report of the Special Committee on Temperance Legislation; an address for the Board of Education, by the Rev. Henry Collin Minton, D.D. The order for the afternoon to be: The report of the Evangelistic Committee, with an address by the Rev. W. Beatty Jennings, D.D.; an address for the College Board, by the Rev. J. Stuart Dickson, D.D.; an address for the American Bible Society, by the Rev. John Fox, D.D.; an address for the Presbyterian Brotherhood, by the Rev. Edward C. Ray, D.D.; and in case the business of the Synod shall not have been completed during the afternoon, an evening session be held for that purpose.

The Necrological Report was presented, and extracts from it read by Rev. W. W. Knox, D.D. It was accepted, and at its close the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. The services were conducted by Rev. Robert Hamill Nassau, S. T. D., of the Presbytery of Corisco, and a former Moderator of Synod, who was assisted by Rev. Ormond W. Wright and Rev. George L. Richmond and the following Ruling Elders:

Necrology.

Lord's Supper.



Joseph Dobbs, Robert C. Haff, David Harvey, Jr., David E. Young, W. C. Genung, William H. Muirheid, John S. Stone, William Cumine.

Relief.

In connection with the service an offering, amounting to \$66.54, was made for the Board of Ministerial Relief.

After singing and prayer, Synod adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock A.M.

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TUESDAY, October 16th, 9:00 A.M.

The Synod met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

Minutes.

The minutes of Monday's session were read, and the record was approved.

Letter to  
Dr. Swain.

It was resolved to appoint a committee to prepare for transmission a suitable expression of the sympathy of Synod with the retiring Moderator, Rev. George Swain, D.D., who is detained by illness from the present meeting of Synod.

The Moderator announced the following Committee: Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D., and Rev. Walter A. Brooks, D.D.

The Committee presented the following, which was adopted:

The Synod of New Jersey, having heard that the Rev. George Swain, D.D., its retiring Moderator, was stricken in the pulpit on Sabbath, September 30th, 1906, and as a consequence was not able to proceed with the services, and has since been and is still seriously ill, therefore



*Resolved*, That the Synod expresses and conveys its sincere sympathy, and regrets it is denied his presence and services at this meeting. We commend him to the care of our Heavenly Father, and pray that the Holy Spirit, Divine Comforter, may cheer and sustain him, and that the means used for his restoration may be speedily and thoroughly successful. May the Master, whom he has served so faithfully and successfully, grant him yet many years of work in His vineyard and many more saved souls for his rejoicing.

The Moderator appointed as Vice-Moderator Rev. William P. Finney, and announced the following committees:

Vice-Moderator.

#### I. BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Committees.

*Ministers*—Frederick E. Stockwell, Samuel Parry, Wm. W. Knox, D.D., Henry R. Hall.

*Elders*—Nathaniel Tooker, P. Kennedy Reeves, Wallace Lanning.

#### II. JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

*Ministers*—Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., Frederick R. Brace, D.D., Robert Scott Inglis, D.D., Daniel R. Foster.

*Elders*—N. C. English, Geo. M. Shipman, John C. Conover.

#### III. MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

*Ministers*—J. DeHart Bruen, Wm. B. Hamilton.

*Elder*—I. Remsen Lane.

#### IV. NARRATIVE FOR 1907.

*Ministers*—James F. Riggs, D.D., Jno. T. Reeve.

*Elders*—Waldo C. Genung.

#### V. FINANCE.

*Ministers*—Stanley White, Edgar C. Mason.

*Elders*—Cornelius H. Clark, Robert S. Grummon.

#### VI. SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, 1907.

*Minister*—Wm. V. Louderbough.

*Elder*—Leander N. Lovell.

#### VII. REVISION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

*Minister*—James H. Owens.

*Elder*—Ebenezer A. Smith.

## VIII. RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

**Corisco**—Rev. Joseph Lyons Ewing, Rev. Frederick D. Tildon, Elder A. G. Creveling.

**Elizabeth**—Rev. Wm. Thomson, Rev. Geo. H. Ingram, Elder Alex. L. Runyon.

**Jersey City**—Rev. Wendell Prime Keeler, Rev. Frank Lukens, Elder Wm. Edgar.

**Monmouth**—Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., Rev. Almer W. Karnell, Elder Francis French.

**Morris and Orange**—Rev. Fisher Howe Booth, Rev. Courtlandt P. Butler, Elder Frederick W. Mershon.

**Newark**—Rev. Jas. G. Mason, D.D., Rev. James Dallas Steele, Ph.D., Elder J. S. Biddell.

**New Brunswick**—Rev. Geo. W. Tomson, Rev. Baker Smith, D.D., Elder John S. Stone.

**Newton**—Rev. Samuel McLanahan, Rev. Edwin R. Murgatroyd, Elder Henry N. Van Dyke.

**West Jersey**—Rev. Wm. I. Steans, D.D., Rev. Cordie J. Culp, Elder Anthony F. O'Donnell.

Stated Clerk.

The Stated Clerk presented his report, and it was accepted and recommendation thereof adopted, as follows:

The Stated Clerk respectfully reports to the Synod of New Jersey as follows:

Records.

1. That the records of the Synod of 1905 were approved by the General Assembly of 1906 without exception.

Havana.

2. That the Minutes of the General Assembly of 1906 record the transfer of the Presbytery of Havana from the Synod of New Jersey to the Synod of Florida. The names of the ministers and churches of the Presbytery of Havana are therefore removed from the roll of this Synod.

New Law corrected.

3. That the Clerk has obeyed the instructions of the Synod given at the last meeting as to the notification of various persons and parties of the action of the Synod concerning them, and in particular that, through the former Committee on the New Law of Trustees, he secured from the Legislature the correction of the error in the law caused by the omission of the word "or" by a clerk of the former Legislature; that he has printed and distributed to the pastors and churches of the Synod copies of the new law, together with a letter of explanation, prepared by the former committee, and that copies of the law and the letter are ready for distribution to those who may desire them at this meeting.

Standing Rules.

4. That the Synod has, at recent meetings, adopted sundry resolutions concerning the payment of bills by the Treasurer, the order of business to be commonly followed, and similar matters, which

the Clerk respectfully recommends should now be incorporated with the Standing Rules of Synod.

Certain papers in the hands of the Stated Clerk were referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was presented, Treasurer.  
was received and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod was presented, Treasurer  
of Trustees.  
was received and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance.

It was resolved to hear the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance at once. The report was Temperance.  
presented by the Rev. W. V. Louderbough. It was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That Synod endorse the petition of the Women's Synodical Temperance Association of the Synod of Pennsylvania to the International Committee of the Evangelical Alliance by the official signature of our Moderator and Stated Clerk, that one entire day of the Week of Prayer be devoted to prayer for the removal of the drinking usages of society and the abolition of the traffic in alcoholic beverages and of the opium habit and trade.

2. That the special committee appointed last year to co-operate with other organizations to further temperance legislation in our State be continued and instructed to persevere in earnest efforts to secure the enactment of a general local option law, and that the members of our congregations be urged to support this movement.

3. That this Synod calls upon the pastors and Sessions of all the churches under its care to observe Temperance Day as appointed by our General Assembly, and to co-operate heartily with its Permanent Committee on Temperance in promoting the practice of total abstinence from the use of all alcoholic beverages and the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic.

4. That as social salvation is part of the salvation which Christ came to bring to men, it is our duty, as His followers, to press the facts and principles of temperance and the social evils of strong drink upon the attention of the public, and to insist that the present system of legalizing the liquor traffic at the demand of a minority of our citizens is an invasion of our rights and liberties.

5. That it is our duty to set forth frequently the greatness of the sin of drunkenness, the responsibility of personal example in this matter and the obligations of Christians to practice total abstinence from the use of all alcoholic beverages as the only safe course for ourselves and others.

6. That while we as a Synod rejoice in the continual progress of the temperance cause in our State and nation, and in the progress of restrictive legislation affecting the liquor evil, we nevertheless put ourselves on record as opposed to the license system on principle, believing it to be morally wrong, and we call upon all our citizens to unite in a crusade having for its object the complete prohibition of the liquor traffic.

7. That this Synod views with deep regret and with grave apprehension of disastrous results the continued efforts of some of the voters of Asbury Park to introduce into their city the legalized liquor traffic, believing such a course to be not only unjust to those persons who have invested money in a home or other property here, because of the promise that it was to be a temperance town, but contrary to the moral principles of the great body of the summer visitors here, who have helped to make this city prosperous; contrary to the principles of God's Holy Word and detrimental to the best interests of this city.

It was resolved that Mr. J. Frank Burke, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, be heard for ten minutes in connection with the report of the Special Committee on Temperance Legislation.

Systematic  
Beneficence.

It was resolved to postpone the hearing of the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions and to hear in its place the report of the Permanent Committee on Proportionate and Systematic Beneficence. The report was presented by Rev. W. W. Casselberry. It was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That the Sessions of all our churches be reminded of their responsibility in connection with the stimulation and systematic development of church benevolences, and be urged to devise and faithfully carry out some plan so that the entire constituency of each church shall have a part in sustaining the authorized missionary and benevolent causes of the Church.

2. That the Sessions of our Synod make larger use of the literature of the Boards and of General Assembly's Committee on Beneficence.

3. That the officers and members of our churches be reminded of the duty of devoting a definite proportion of their income to the Lord, and that "one-tenth of increase" is the minimum proportion mentioned in the Scriptures, as one-seventh is the minimum of time devoted to the Lord.

4. That Synod appropriate \$25 for the work of this committee for the ensuing year.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report recommending that the report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions be referred to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions, and the report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions be referred to the Permanent Committee on Home Missions, and that in response to an overture from the Presbytery of Newark the churches of Synod be recommended to set apart December 27th, or some convenient contiguous date for a bi-centennial celebration both of the organization of the first Presbytery in America and the first meeting held in New Jersey, and that appropriate services be held on that day.

Bills and  
Overtures.

Bi-centennial.

The report was received and its recommendations were adopted.

The Special Committee on the Increase of the Revenue of Synod presented its report. It was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Increase of  
Revenue.

The immediate reason for the appointment of this Committee was the steadily-increasing expenses of Synod for the last ten years, ranging from \$468.44, in 1896, to \$631.77 during the past year. The result is that there is a shortage this year of \$61.77, the receipts being \$570 and the expenses \$631.77.

The reason for this increase has not been in salaries or fixed charges, but in the enlargement of the Minutes, the necessary bonding of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, and especially in paying the expenses of committees.

Your Committee sees but two ways of meeting this emergency.

1. By decreasing the expenses of Synod. This, your Committee, after consultation with the officers of Synod, finds to be practically impossible. Indeed, it will probably be exceedingly difficult to hold the expenses to the present amount, for, with the growth

of our work, committees must meet more frequently, and it is also evident to your Committee that the salary now paid to our Stated Clerk has, through the enlargement of his work, become inadequate. We cannot, therefore, meet our problem by decreasing our expenses.

2. The other way of meeting the situation is by increasing the income.

The Treasurer of Synod informs us that if we provide for an income of approximately \$700, we shall have met the need. This can be done either by assessing the Presbyteries according to their membership, or by an arbitrary increase of the apportionment which now exists.

At present the income is derived as follows:

From Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, New Brunswick, Newark, \$80 each; from Jersey City, West Jersey, \$65 each; from Monmouth, Newton, \$60 each; total, \$570.

To increase this to about \$700 by the assessment plan it would be necessary for the Presbyteries to pay about ten cents per member. This would call for the following amounts:

From Elizabeth, \$105; from Morris and Orange, \$110; from New Brunswick, \$96; from Newark, \$139, as against \$80 each; from Jersey City, \$84; from West Jersey, \$88, as against \$65 each; from Monmouth, \$68; from Newton, \$50, as against \$60 each.

To your Committee this does not seem a fair division, for it lays the burden upon the Presbyteries not so much according to their ability to pay as according to the number of communicants. It does not seem fair, for example, that Morris and Orange, Elizabeth and New Brunswick should be relieved at the expense of Newark, which, while it is our largest Presbytery, has the peculiar problems of a cosmopolitan city, which makes great demands on its funds.

The other method of obtaining the income is by an arbitrary increase of the apportionment as now existing.

Your Committee would, therefore, make the following recommendations:

1. That the apportionment for the ensuing year be as follows: Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, New Brunswick and Newark, \$100 each, as against \$80 at present; Jersey City and West Jersey, \$80, as against \$65 at present; Monmouth and Newton, \$70, as against \$60 at present; total, \$700.

2. That the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to send a bill for the amount of the apportionment to the treasurers of Presbyteries on the first day of April, and that the amount be paid as soon as possible thereafter.

3. That the salary of the Stated Clerk be \$150 per annum, instead of \$100 as at present.



The Stated Clerk was directed to inform the treasurers of the several Presbyteries of the action of Synod in increasing the apportionment for Synodical expenses and in changing the time when payments are to be made.

Increased Ap-  
portionment.

It was resolved that the report of the Committee on Historical Materials be now heard, and that the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions take the place of the report of the Committee on Historical Materials this afternoon.

The report of the Custodians of Historical Materials was presented by the Stated Clerk. It was received and ordered printed as an appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

Custodians.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials was presented by the Rev. Joseph F. Folsom, in the absence of Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D. In connection with the report a letter from Dr. Brown was read, as follows:

Historical  
Materials.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY:

Your expression of sympathy for me and of interest in my welfare, as appears in your printed Minutes of 1905, page 19, was most unexpected and none the less gratifying.

My interest is unabated in all the affairs of the Synod, and especially in Synodical Home Missions and the gathering of Historical Materials, both of which will receive at this meeting your attention and review after twenty years of successful work. I am thankful that I am permitted in my retirement to do even a little, with my pen, for these and other good enterprises.

I greatly desire to meet with you. But I have entered upon my eighty-seventh year, and the infirmities from which I have suffered for a long time are not entirely removed. I fear that the fatigue and excitement of attendance upon your meeting would be too much for me; therefore, with regret, I ask you again to excuse my absence.

Yours in fraternal love,  
ALLEN H. BROWN.

The report of the committee was received and its recommendation was adopted as follows:

In view of the great importance of collecting and preserving historical matter relating to the history of our denomination in this State, your Committee would recommend that the Synod urge upon ministers, elders and church members the importance and necessity of increasing the store of treasures now in the care of the custodians, by contributions of books, pamphlets and documents which, through search or by chance, may come into their hands.

Sabbath-school  
Work.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath-school Work was presented by the Rev. Henry C. Cronin, was received, and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That Synod reaffirms its recommendation that our schools be urged to observe Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September, and that liberal offerings be made on these days to the missionary and colportage work of the Board.

2. That Synod commends the plan known as the Forward Movement in Sabbath-school Missions, by which the support of particular missionaries is assumed by Presbyteries, churches, Sabbath-schools and individuals, and recommends its wider adoption.

3. That every Sunday-school be urged to establish a teachers' training class and a home department, and to use the graded lesson helps of the Board.

4. That we commend the general, careful and prayerful use of a Decision Day, along the line of the Assembly's Evangelistic Committee.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. James A. Worden, D.D., Superintendent of Sabbath-school Work of the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work.

Narrative.

The report of the Committee on the Narrative was presented by Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D., and the report was approved.

The order of the day having arrived, the Synod engaged in devotional services, led by the Vice-Moderator, and then took recess until 2:30 P.M.



TUESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Synod met and resumed business.

The serious illness of Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D., having been announced to Synod, the Moderator was directed to appoint a committee to prepare a suitable expression of the sympathy of Synod. The Moderator announced as the committee Rev. Sylvester W. Beach and Elder William P. Stevenson. The committee reported the following letter, which was accepted and ordered to be sent to Dr. Cameron:

Letter to Dr.  
Cameron.

The Synod of New Jersey, having heard with sincere regret of the illness of the Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D., and his family, expresses to him its sincere sympathy in his affliction, and prays for his early restoration to his wonted strength; and, remembering with high regard and appreciation his fraternal companionship in the Synod for many years, and his distinguished services, particularly in the collection and preservation of its historical records, hopes earnestly for his speedy restoration to its fellowship.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by the Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Foreign  
Missions.

1. That the Synod reiterate, and urge its pastors to keep before their people that declaration of the General Assembly of 1847, which affirms, "That the Presbyterian Church is a missionary society, the object of which is to aid in the conversion of the world, and every member of this Church is a member for life of said society, and, in maintenance of his Christian honor, is bound to do all in his power for the accomplishment of this object."

2. That more stress be laid upon missionary instruction in our Sabbath-schools, and that greater efforts be made to secure general and generous offerings for this work from those schools.

3. That as the General Assembly has called for an increase of 33⅓ per cent. for this great work for the current year, as a Synod we urge the churches in our bounds, so far as practicable, to strive to make this noble advance.

4. That inasmuch as the Board has employed B. R. Brown to secure large gifts from individuals, this Synod expresses its

approval of his appointment, and commends him to those to whom the Lord has entrusted large means.

5. That, having received and read with interest the admirable report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, the Synod expresses its heartiest approval of the continued zeal and efficiency of these noble co-workers, and bids them God-speed in their efforts at sending the Word to earth's remotest bounds.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. A. Woodruff Halsey, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

American  
Tract Society.

Rev. Judson Swift, D.D., now addressed the Synod in the interests of the American Tract Society.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. W. W. Knox, D.D., was adopted:

The Synod recognizes the efficient and indispensable work of the American Tract Society in providing Christian literature in the many languages and dialects spoken by the immigrants, and its employment of colporteurs, who meet them on arrival at the ports and distribute Christian literature among them.

The Synod also recognizes the invaluable aid of the Tract Society in the island possessions in that it provides a Christian literature in Spanish, which the missionaries affirm is an absolute necessity in the successful carrying forward of their work.

The Synod further recognizes the unprecedented call for Christian literature at the mission stations in foreign lands, and commends the Society for its earnest effort to meet the ever-increasing demand.

The Synod recommends that the Presbyteries appoint and maintain a standing Committee on the Society's work, and urges the pastors and churches to arrange for an annual offering for its support.

Home  
Missions.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions was presented by Rev. Nelson B. Chester, and was received.

Bills and  
Overtures.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report recommending that in reference to a communication from the Interdenominational Conference, which

framed, what is popularly called the "Bishops' Bill," in regulation of the liquor traffic, the following action be taken :

1. That the Synod of New Jersey be officially represented in the Interdenominational Conference. Bishops' Bill Committee.
2. That the representatives of the Synod of New Jersey shall be three, viz.: The Rev. Henry C. Minton, D.D., the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., the Rev. William V. Louderbough.
3. That the representatives of Synod in the Interdenominational Conference are commended to the churches of Synod and to their members for such financial aid as may be necessary to meet the Synod's proportionate share in the necessary expenses.
4. That each Presbytery in the Synod shall have an Advisory Committee of two, to confer and to act with the representatives of Synod in the Interdenominational Conference. These Presbyterial Advisory Committees shall consist of the chairmen of the Temperance Committees of the several Presbyteries and one layman from each Presbytery, who shall be selected by the representatives of Synod in the Interdenominational Conference, after due consultation with the chairmen of the Temperance Committees in the several Presbyteries.

The report was received and the recommendations adopted.

In the absence of Rev. John Dixon, D.D., his address on Home Missions was postponed until to-morrow morning, and Synod listened to an address by the Rev. Henry Collin Minton, D.D., on behalf of the Board of Education. Education.

The Committee on Vacancy and Supply presented its report, which was received and its recommendations adopted, as follows: Vacancy and Supply.

In accordance with the plan of vacancy and supply proposed by the General Assembly of 1905, the Stated Clerk of the Synod was appointed at the last meeting to be the Synod's Committee on Vacancy and Supply, charged with the duties specified in Section 5 of the Assembly's plan.

In the endeavor to fulfil those duties the Committee has had some correspondence with the Committees in the Presbyteries,

has kept a list of such ministers as notified the Committee that they desired employment, and has written to such churches in the Synod as fell vacant within the year, offering the services of the Committee for aid in obtaining pastors. In no case, however, were those services employed, and no minister has been furnished employment.

It seems evident that any valuable service in the adjustment of unemployed ministers and vacant churches will be afforded by the Presbyterial Committees rather than by a Synodical Committee. If the Presbyterial Committees keep the Synodical Committee well informed as to the conditions within the Presbyteries, the Committee may be of some service as a means of communication, but not otherwise.

Our own Synod is probably better provided with a settled ministry than any other. The operations of the Synodical Home Mission Committee keep our weaker vacant churches well supplied. There is perhaps less room among us for the work of a Committee on Vacancy and Supply than elsewhere. Nevertheless, in order that the provisions of the Assembly's plan may be complied with, it is recommended that this Synodical Committee be continued, and that the Presbyterial Committees on Vacancy and Supply be requested to forward to the Committee, immediately after the spring and autumn meetings of the Presbyteries, full information as to churches vacant and ministers desiring employment.

College  
Visitation.

A verbal report was presented by the Committee on College Visitation, which was received. Rev. W. W. Knox, D.D., was chosen Chairman of this committee for the current year, in the place of Rev. George Swain, D.D., who cannot serve on account of illness.

Bills paid.

The Treasurer of Synod was directed to pay the usual bills and salaries.

Finance.

The Committee on Finance reported that it had examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer of Synod and the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod and found the same correct.

The Committee also, in accordance with action already taken, recommended that the apportionment to the Presbyteries for Synodical expenses be as follows :

Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, Newark and New Brunswick, \$100 each. \* Apportionments.  
Jersey City and West Jersey, \$80 each.  
Monmouth and Newton, \$70 each.

The report was received and its recommendations adopted.

The Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions reported that they had examined the same for the year beginning October 1st, 1905, and ending September 30th, 1906, compared the disbursements with the vouchers, and have found the same correct. The report was received and approved. Synodical Home Mission Accounts.

The records of the following Presbyteries were approved: Corisco, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and West Jersey. Presbyterial Records.

The Committee on the Revision of the List of Permanent Committees presented its report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted. Committees.  
(See list of committees in Appendix.)

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

That Synod would set its seal of disapproval upon the growing evil of bribery at elections, and call attention of Sessions to the need of discipline of church members guilty of this offense against law and morals. Bribery.

Synod took recess until 7:30 o'clock P. M.

TUESDAY, 7:30 P.M.

Synod re-assembled and resumed business.

Synodical  
Home  
Missions.

After devotional services, the report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions was presented by the Rev. Samuel McLanahan, and was accepted.

Treasurer.

The report of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions was presented by Mr. William P. Stevenson, Treasurer, and was accepted.

Twentieth  
Anniversary

In connection with these reports, and in commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the operation of the plan of Synodical Home Missions within the Synod of New Jersey, addresses were delivered by Rev. John Dixon, D.D., Hon. Elmer Ewing Green, Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., and Hon. William M. Lanning.

After singing and the benediction, Synod adjourned until to-morrow at 9:00 o'clock A.M.

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WEDNESDAY, October 17th, 9:00 A.M.

Synod met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

Minutes.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read, and the record was approved.

Young  
People's  
Societies.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies was read by the Stated Clerk, in the absence of the Chairman, was received, and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

I. That the Synod commend our Young People's Societies for their many good works, and urge them to support the pastor



heartily in building up the services and holding the young people in the church.

2. That all our Presbyteries be cautioned not to permit this work of Young People's Societies to fall back into an inferior place, but by faithful oversight and hearty interest constantly advance the work.

3. That special attention of all our churches and societies be called, as recommended by the last Synod, to this year of 1906 as the 200th anniversary of the organization of American Presbyterianism, and the twentieth year of the beginning of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey, the one being the historical background, the other the modern development of a great work in our State, and that our churches and societies be urged to celebrate the year on Sunday, November 25th next, or nearby date, and the offerings at that time be turned over to Synodical Home Missions; also that the attention of the pastors be called to the literature provided by the Committee as an aid to the service.

4. That the attention of all our Presbyteries be called to the need of providing means for pressing upon the churches the great matter of the Presbyterian Brotherhood for all the men of our churches, and that our Presbyteries be advised to appoint a special committee, as recommended by the last General Assembly, whose duty it shall be to correspond with pastors and laymen with a view to extending the new organization as rapidly as possible.

The consideration of the report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions was resumed, and the following recommendations of the committee were adopted:

Synodical  
Home  
Missions.

1. That upon this occasion, when the Synod is celebrating the twenty years of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey, Synod sends its greetings and an expression of its appreciation to Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D., to whose initiative in church courts and to whose labors upon the field this movement has owed so much.

2. That Synod gratefully recognizes the blessing of God, which has attended Synodical Home Mission work for twenty years; the loyalty and liberality of pastors, elders and people in sustaining this work; the attention, energy and wisdom of those who have hitherto directed it, and the faithfulness, self-sacrifice, labors and success of the ministers and people in the churches and missions which have been aided.

3. That from the balance in the Treasurer's hands the sum of twelve hundred dollars be set apart as a special fund to be controlled by Synod's Committee for new or exceptional work, and

that individuals be and are hereby encouraged to make additions to this special fund.

4. That the several Presbyteries be asked to raise during the current fiscal year at least the following amounts:

Elizabeth, at 30 cents per member, .....	\$3,197 70
Jersey City, at 26 cents per member, .....	2,207 14
Monmouth, at 26 cents per member, .....	1,778 40
Morris and Orange, at 30 cents per member, .....	3,306 00
Newark, at 22 cents per member, .....	3,071 20
New Brunswick, at 30 cents per member, .....	2,898 60
Newton, at 22 cents per member, .....	1,324 84
West Jersey, at 26 cents per member, .....	2,313 74
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	\$20,097 62

5. That grants be made to the Presbyteries from the general fund of sums not to exceed the following amounts:

Elizabeth, .....	\$1,800 00
Jersey City, .....	2,750 00
Monmouth, .....	3,400 00
Morris and Orange, .....	1,800 00
Newark, .....	2,500 00
New Brunswick, .....	2,000 00
Newton, .....	1,100 00
West Jersey, .....	4,200 00
Administration, .....	500 00
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	\$20,050 00

Thanks.

It was ordered that the report of the Treasurer be printed in the Minutes, and the thanks of Synod were extended to the Treasurer for his efficient services.

The Committee on Synodical Home Missions presented a supplemental report, which was accepted, and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Woman's  
Home  
Missions.

The Committee to which was referred the annual report of the Synodical Woman's Home Missionary Society recommends its approval by Synod, and that the women of the societies represented be commended for their zeal, activity and liberality in this work.

The following resolution, offered by the Rev. Thomas Tyack, D.D., was adopted:



WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Synod that the tombstone of the Rev. John Tennant, in the Old Scots burying-ground, is in danger of defacement and destruction. John Tennant  
tombstone.

*Resolved*, that the attention of the Board of Trustees of the Presbytery of Monmouth be called to the condition of this tombstone, with the request that they take such action with reference to it as in their judgment may seem wise.

Rev. D. R. Frazer, D.D., made a statement to Synod with reference to the progress of the Endowment Fund of Bloomfield Theological Seminary, to which contributions have been made by the Presbyteries of Synod.

The report of the Special Committee on Ministerial Sustentation. Sustentation.  
Sustentation was presented by the Rev. Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., was received and ordered to be printed in the Minutes of Synod.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was presented by the Rev. Samuel D. Price, Sabbath  
Observance.  
was accepted, and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That the Synod of New Jersey urges upon all the members of its churches the consideration of the fact that the Sunday newspaper, Sunday traveling, Sunday games and Sunday social functions are inconsistent with the life of a pledged follower of Jesus Christ, and should therefore be omitted.

2. That, since Sunday is the Lord's Day, and is set apart entirely for His service, that ordinarily each member of the church should attend both the morning and evening services of the church to which the member belongs.

3. That we call the attention of our ministers to resolution No. 9 of the General Assembly's Committee (Minutes 1906, page 51), recommending that during the month of April next a sermon be preached on the subject of Sabbath observance, and that, if the way be clear, an offering be made for the work of the American Sabbath Union, to be sent to Colonel A. S. Bacon, Treasurer, 37 Liberty street, New York City.

4. That we most heartily commend and warmly endorse the work of the American Sabbath Union, in their faithful effort to preserve in its purity the Christian Sabbath.

In connection with this report, Synod was addressed by the Rev. Frederick J. Stanley, D.D., Secretary of the American Sabbath Union.

It was resolved that the report of the Committee on Special Temperance Legislation, with the address of Mr. J. Frank Burke, be made the first order of the day after the noon recess.

Home  
Missions.

Rev. John Dixon, D.D., the Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, now addressed the Synod on behalf of the work of the Board.

Necrology.

The hour of the day having arrived, the Synod engaged in devotional services, led by the Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D. The services were introduced by the reading of portions of the Necrological Report.

Sympathy for  
Dr. Lee.

It having been announced that Rev. John Lloyd Lee, D.D., pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, New York City, was lying apparently at the point of death in the neighborhood of the place of meeting of Synod, the pastor of this church, Rev. John Leroy Taylor, Ph.D., D.D., was directed to convey to Dr. Lee an expression of the sympathy of Synod.

Synod then took recess until 2:30 P.M.

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WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P.M.

Synod met and resumed business.

Temperance  
Legislation.

The report of the Special Committee on Temperance Legislation was presented by the Rev. Joseph Howell, was received, and its recommendations adopted as follows:

The Special Committee on Temperance Legislation respectfully reports that in accordance with a resolution of the last Synod, for the appointing of a committee to secure better temperance legislation, including a wise and general local option law, the Moderator appointed Rev. Joseph Howell, Rev. Hugh K. Fulton and Rev. D. Ruby Warne, and Elders Arnold F. Stout and William T. Smock such a committee.

The Committee, through its Chairman, communicated with Mrs. Emma Bourne, President of W. C. T. U. of New Jersey, with Dr. Charles E. Nash, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New Jersey, with Rev. J. Ward Gamble, D.D., and Rev. John Fox, D.D., the Special Committee of the New Jersey M. E. Conference, appointed for a like purpose, and with others, for the purpose of securing a general conference of the temperance forces of the State.

On December 10th, 1905, the first meeting was held at Newark, at the office of the Anti-Saloon League.

The Chairman of your Committee urged the calling of a general conference at an early date. Such a conference was held in Newark on December 20th.

After a thorough discussion of the matter, it was decided to call a second general conference of the State, to be held in the Y. M. C. A. Building, at Trenton, on Thursday, January 4th, 1906. On that date a large and enthusiastic body of delegates assembled, representing the Presbyterian Synod of New Jersey, the M. E. Conference of New Jersey, the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Ministers' Conference, the Reformed Church, the Congregational Church, Society of Friends, Trenton Ministerial Union, State W. C. T. U., Anti-Saloon League of New Jersey, Law and Order League of New Jersey, Prohibition party, and the Good Templars' Order.

The question of local option, or home rule, was thoroughly debated with great earnestness. It was the unanimous opinion of the conference that the time was fully ripe to press for a general local option law.

The conference appointed a Local Option Campaign Committee, to prepare a local option bill, and to prepare a campaign letter to send out over the State, to secure some member of the Legislature to introduce the bill at the earliest possible date in the House of Assembly, to keep in touch with the bill and keep the temperance forces of the State informed as to the times of public hearings, and as to petitions to the members of the Legislature.

The conference appointed Dr. Charles E. Nash Chairman of the Committee. We would say of Dr. Nash, that he showed great fidelity to his trust, and to his untiring efforts is to be largely attributed the measure of success the bill received.

In obedience to the expressed orders of the conference, the Local Option Campaign Committee met in the Y. M. C. A., at Trenton,

Thursday, January 11th, 1906. Members present, Dr. C. E. Nash, Counselor G. Rowland Monroe, Rev. P. T. Pockman, D.D., Rev. J. Ward Gamble, D.D., Rev. Samuel H. Hann, D.D., Rev. G. W. Fennell, Mr. E. C. Black and your Chairman.

A local option bill was drafted and a campaign letter prepared, and the Anti-Saloon League had 10,000 copies of the bill printed and 5,500 copies of the campaign letter, under Dr. Nash's supervision.

On the opening night of the session of the Legislature, January 15th, 1906, the local option bill was introduced in the House by Hon. Louis H. Miller, of Cumberland county, and was known as House Bill No. 18. The bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations, composed of Hon. H. S. Scovel, of Camden, Chairman; R. H. Scott, of Hudson; Hon. G. F. Wright, of Passaic; Hon. P. C. Welsh, Jr., of Essex, and Hon. W. F. Burke, of Mercer. It was with the greatest difficulty that the Committee secured the report of the bill to the House. Every member of the Committee had to be worked with individually, and finally, when each member of the Committee gave his personal consent to report the bill, the Chairman still persisted in holding the bill, because, he said, "Tremendous influence is brought to bear upon me from the liquor side." The bill was thus held in the hands of the Committee for about six weeks. On January 16th, the day following the introduction of the bill by Mr. Miller, there was mailed to every Presbyterian pastor of the State a copy of the bill, a copy of the campaign letter, with the names of all the members of the Legislature, and a blank petition attached and a personal letter, urging action. As the bill continued to be held by the Committee, a second appeal, to write letters urging that it be reported and receive favorable action, was sent. On February 12th personal letters were sent to all the members of the Legislature, asking that they hear the voice of the people and use their influence with the Committee to have the bill reported. The Chairman promised that he would report it on Monday night, February 19th. But when the time came he refused.

Letters were sent to Camden, his home town, to bring pressure to bear upon him. At last the bill was reported without recommendations.

After three public hearings were given to the bill before the Committee, on March 6th, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock in the morning, the bill was voted on by the House and was killed, by a vote of 13 to 40. There were seven who failed to vote.

Later, the same day, a public hearing was given on the Bishops' Bill. The Assembly chamber was crowded. Members of the Legislature were heard to say, "We are between the devil and the deep sea; we will have to give these temperance people something in the line of legislation." So it was the consensus of opinion that the Bishops' Bill would be the better of the two, and

more nearly satisfying the brewers. But the temperance people of the State were decidedly dissatisfied.

In the closing week of the Legislature, the Bishops' Bill, so distorted as to be hardly recognized as the bill that had been introduced, was passed in the Senate by a vote of thirteen in its favor, while eight refused to vote. It was then sent to the House, where it was also passed, thirty-four voting for its passage, twenty voting against its passage, and six either absent or not voting.

The points of advantage in the Bishops' Bill are these:

It increases the age of boys and girls as minors from 18 to 21 years.

It abolishes the back rooms, and licenses the room instead of the house, except when a house has ten rooms and upward, etc.

It increases the license fee from \$250 to \$300.

It removes all screens from doors and windows on Sundays and other times when it is illegal to sell.

It gives two persons the privilege of presenting evidence, instead of three voters.

It prevents any boy or girl under 21 years to carry and deliver intoxicating liquors to anyone, and prevents them lounging in or frequenting liquor places.

It provides that if a person holding a license be found guilty of a violation of the law, his license *shall be* revoked, and he disqualified for one year from holding a license in the State, and that for the same period the house cannot be licensed.

It prohibits licenses being granted to sell liquors in any store, shop, apartment, or place in which a grocery or other mercantile business is carried on (with exceptions).

It increases the distance to 200 feet, measured from the curtilage of a church, school or armory, instead of from the buildings themselves.

To hold all we have gained, to gather new courage and to advance is our purpose until we reach the goal, which is the placing on the statute books of New Jersey a wise and general local option law which will give us home rule on this most vital of questions.

Your Committee in no sense joins hands with any political party, but feels it owes Synod a duty to state the following facts:

It is apparent to your Committee and to all careful observers that if we are to obtain a wise general local option law in the near future it must come through the dominant party in power.

There are no signs of the change of the present party control in the near future, unless it is brought about by the united liquor forces of the State in trying to use the opposite party to punish the Republican party for their expression of so much strength in favor of local option and for the passage of the Bishops' bill.

We quote from President Lankering, of the German American Alliance of New Jersey: "There is a provision in the by-laws

of the Alliance which forbids the organization to engage in party politics, or to identify itself with any political party. It is now, however, the feeling of a great majority of the members that this clause of the by-laws should be set aside and that the Alliance should unanimously indorse the entire Democratic party.'

Now, we do not believe that the Alliance has the power to deliver the entire vote of the Alliance as above recommended, but to the wise it is a warning that if we are to hold what we have gained and secure the passage of a local option law we must see to it that the men who help us are not suffered to go down in defeat by the enemy at the polls.

Now, looking at the composition of last Legislature and the vote on the local option bill and on the Bishops' bill, we find it as follows: The House was composed of 60 members—57 Republicans and 3 Democrats; the Senate of 21 members—18 Republicans and 3 Democrats. The local option bill was up in the House only. It received 13 votes, all Republicans.

The local option bill was the real issue and gives a much better basis to judge the strength of our work than the Bishops' bill.

We believe that if the Bishops' bill had not been introduced the local option bill would have passed. As it was it was a very decided gain over the year previous, when the local option bill died in the hands of the committee when the Legislature closed. The Bishops' bill was the dark horse, and was so altered and amended that when it was finally passed its original identity was nearly destroyed.

The Bishops' bill was before both houses, being introduced in the Senate by Senator Hutchinson as bills 136 and 137.

In the Senate it received 13 votes in its passage as finally amended—12 Republicans and 1 Democratic vote; the other eight members not voting.

In the House the Bishops' bill was passed by a majority of 3, having received 34 of the 60 votes. Twenty voted "no" and 6 were either absent or did not vote. Of the 34 votes, 33 were Republicans and 1 Democratic.

You will see by the above vote in both houses the bill was passed by a majority of the whole vote as a Republican measure.

Your Committee greatly regrets the very great lack in the response to a request sent out for a vote on two important questions thrust upon the temperance people of the State by the German-American Alliance, and especially as it affected the repeal of the Bishops' bill and declared for an open Sabbath and arrayed the clergy of the State on the side of the open Sunday in these words: "We have also good reason to believe that such a measure would meet with the approval of the majority of the clergy."

Your Committee sent ballots to every Presbyterian minister in the State: 397 in all. Up to date but 94 of the 397 have returned the ballots.



The vote on the first question, "Do you favor the repeal of the Bishops' bill" was: Yes, 5; no, 89.

On the second question, "Do you favor an open saloon on Sunday?" the vote was: Yes, 0; no, 94.

As far as the vote goes, your Committee believes that it entirely refutes the statement of the German-American Alliance that an open Sunday "would meet with the approval of the majority of the clergy."

Your Committee would respectfully submit the following resolutions:

1. That this Synod stands opposed to any effort to repeal the Bishops' bill, passed at the last session of the Legislature; that we hold firmly every advance made and by no means relax our efforts until a wise and general local option law is enacted.

2. That this Synod most emphatically places itself on record as being positively and unalterably opposed to any law or laws looking toward the legalizing of the liquor traffic on any part of the Lord's Day, "called Sunday," and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to every member of the next Legislature by the Clerk of Synod.

3. That Synod recognizes the excellent work of the Anti-Saloon League of New Jersey in its co-operation with Synod's Special Committee last winter in the splendid fight made to try and secure a local option law, and would commend the League and the new superintendent, Mr. J. Frank Burke, to the confidence of the churches.

4. That Synod would call the special attention of the churches to the appeals of its Legislative Committee for the prompt and united efforts of pastors and people in support of local option legislation during the next session, and especially in responding to calls for attendance upon public hearing before the Legislature and the sending of letters and petitions promptly to the members of the Legislature at crucial times, and to support the Committee financially that it may carry on the work successfully, and that the Committee report the contributions of the several churches at the next meeting of Synod, as has been done this year.

In connection with the presentation of the report, Synod was addressed by Mr. J. Frank Burke, Superintendent of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League.

The Moderator announced as the Special Committee on Temperance Legislation for the coming year Rev. Joseph Howell, Rev. D. Ruby Warne, Rev. J. B. Galaway, Elders Carroll Robbins and Ebenezer Mackey.

Evangelistic  
Work.

The report of the Evangelistic Committee was presented, was received, and its recommendations adopted as follows:

As outlined in the report of the Committee to the Synod in 1905, a simultaneous evangelistic campaign was inaugurated November 19th, 1905, within the bounds of all the Presbyteries.

Special evangelistic services were held during the autumn and winter in the following named cities and towns:

*Presbytery of Elizabeth*—Elizabeth, Dunellen, Liberty Corner, Metuchen, Perth Amboy, Plainfield, Rahway, Westfield, Woodbridge—9.

*Presbytery of Jersey City*—Bayonne, Englewood, Garfield, Hoboken, Hackensack, Jersey City, Paterson, Ridgewood, Tenafly, West Milford—10.

*Presbytery of Monmouth*—Asbury Park, Burlington, Atlantic Highlands, Cranbury, Englishtown, Freehold, Hightstown, Jamesburg, Manasquan, Mt. Holly, Moorestown, Long Branch, South Amboy, Tennent, Columbus—15.

*Presbytery of Morris and Orange*—Dover, East Orange, Morris Plains, Morristown, New Providence, Orange, Summit—7.

*Presbytery of Newark*—Bloomfield, Caldwell, Montclair, Newark, Verona—5.

*Presbytery of New Brunswick*—Bound Brook, Dayton, Frenchtown, Lambertville, Lawrenceville, New Brunswick, Trenton, Hamilton Square—8.

*Presbytery of Newton*—Beattystown, Belvidere, Blairstown, Branchville, Hackettstown, Hamburg, Mansfield (2d), Newton, Oxford, Phillipsburg, Sussex, Yellow Frame—12.

*Presbytery of West Jersey*—Bridgeton, Atlantic City, Camden, Cape May, Elwood, Vineland—6.

In some of the larger cities, viz., Elizabeth, Newark, Paterson, Jersey City, Hoboken, Atlantic City, also in Bloomfield, Bound Brook, Columbus, Dover, Dunellen, Englewood, Englishtown, Hamburg, Manasquan, Montclair, Metuchen, New Brunswick, Newton, Perth Amboy, Plainfield, Rahway, Summit, Vineland, Cape May—25.—Ev.

Evangelistic work was conducted by the General Assembly's Committee, represented by Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., and the following corps of evangelists and singers:

*Evangelists*—Rev. W. A. Bodell, W. E. Biederwolf, Chester Birch, C. T. Chafer, J. W. Cochran, D.D., R. E. Conolly, John H. Elliott, D.D., John H. Earle, C. A. Evans, W. C. Evans, Frank Graustaff, Thomas Houston, Tilman Hobson, E. F. Hallenbeck, D.D., Charles N. Hunt, F. H. Jacobs, Lester G. Leggett, O. G. McDowell, Thomas Needham, Henry Ostrom, J. H. Pratt, John Robertson, C. T. Shaw, W. H. Stough, C. T. Schaeffer, Clarence



B. Strouse, H. D. Sheldon, Charles Cullen Smith, Daniel S. Toy, F. E. Taylor, R. A. Walton, D.D., A. W. Spooner, D.D., Arthur J. Smith, J. K. Baillie, D.D., C. G. Jordan, A. N. Thompson, D.D.—37.

*Evangelistic Singers*—Fred Butler, Charles F. Allen, W. H. Col-lison, C. E. Coultres, Frank Dickson, A. B. Davidson, Ralph T. Fulton, H. H. Holden, John P. Hillis, John W. Long, J. J. Lowe, H. L. Maxwell, A. L. Millie, Mrs. J. H. Montgomery, R. E. Mit-chell, Professor E. O. Excell, Charles F. Rykert, A. M. Robarts, R. H. Ross, H. G. Smyth, D. S. Thomas, O. F. Pugh, A. M. Vree-land, W. S. Weeden, H. S. Wells, W. R. Ward, R. S. Young—27.

In response to the request of the Chairman of the Synod's Com-mittee, the following-named pastors volunteered for special service during the campaign, and many of them who were called upon gave their time willingly in conducting special services in the smaller churches: J. T. Morgan, W. W. Knox, D.D., D. C. Stewart, H. C. Cronin, J. S. Young, C. R. Kuebler, D.D., J. H. Owens, C. S. Tator, S. M. Hamilton, H. R. McClelland, Davis W. Lusk, W. J. Mewhinney, J. Greenleaf, J. G. Lovell, J. H. Dunham, A. J. Weisley, A. F. G. MacKay, Edgar C. Mason, J. K. Baillie, W. T. Stuchell, Samuel McLanahan, Geo. Swain, D.D., J. B. Ferguson, Minot C. Morgan, C. J. Culp, H. C. Minton, D.D., Joseph Howell, W. F. S. Nelson, J. L. Taylor, J. D. H. Bruen, E. E. Tyson, Frank Lukens, E. Kellmayer, John T. Reeve, H. G. Mendenhall, William Reed, D.D., J. W. MacCallum, H. T. Casselberry—38.

The Committee was also ably assisted in the work of the cam-paign by Reverend Charles Stelzle. Through the courtesy of the Board of Home Missions, Mr. Stelzle conducted noonday and even-ing meetings for workingmen in factories and halls, and addressed mass meetings in Jersey City, Newark, Trenton and Hoboken.

In the larger cities and in some of the towns, these evangelistic services were interdenominational, and were continued in many localities during the winter and early spring. In the cities of Newark, Jersey City and Paterson they were followed by special services during the summer months.

In Jersey City, Paterson and Newark evangelistic meetings were conducted in saloons by Mr. and Mrs. Asher. These meetings were largely attended, and respectful attention was given to the preaching of the Word, resulting in many conversions.

In the three cities named, on Sabbath afternoons and on several occasions at midnight, meetings were held in theatres. By this means many were reached and brought under the influence of the Gospel, who could not have been reached in any other way.

In the larger cities the attendance at the services in the various districts was, at times, limited only by the capacity of the churches in which the meetings were held.

In the city of Paterson more than one thousand people united with the various churches within three weeks after the close of

the union services. During the winter months this number was increased to 1,600.

All expenses were promptly met, and the balance in the treasury was sufficient to meet the cost of two months' tent work during the summer. The influence of these meetings is still felt, and is shown in a notably higher level of spiritual life.

The testimony of many pastors throughout the State is, that a large number of those who have been brought into the churches could not have been reached without the special means employed. While many need careful nurture in the Christian life, nearly all have remained faithful and consistent in their profession.

While many pastors feel the desirability of having outside assistance during special evangelistic services, in most cases they express a preference for the help of brother pastors near at hand.

In the city of Trenton evangelistic services were conducted independently by the Presbyterian churches, with the assistance of other pastors. One prominent pastor of that city writes: "It is but fair to say that the impulse and spirit of the movement were, in a large measure, due to the simultaneous movement in the State. It has left a permanent uplift in our churches and a fresh interest in evangelistic work generally. I think the emphasis should be placed upon pastoral evangelism. Outside evangelists are all right as helpers, but the pastor must learn more and more to be his own evangelist."

The Committee wish to express their appreciation for the cordial assistance rendered by the newspapers in many of the cities and towns where special meetings were held. The press gave full and accurate accounts of the daily services. The Paterson Call, Jersey City Evening Journal and Newark Evening News published special editions.

It is interesting to note that, in every Presbytery, the number of additions to the churches on profession of faith shows a marked increase over the number reported last year. The list is as follows:

#### ADDITIONS ON PROFESSION OF FAITH.

	1905.	1906.
Presbytery of Elizabeth, .....	390	735
"    "    Jersey City, .....	417	761
"    "    Monmouth, .....	313	349
"    "    Morris and Orange, .....	332	432
"    "    Newark, .....	677	908
"    "    New Brunswick, .....	324	751
"    "    Newton, .....	227	379
"    "    West Jersey, .....	400	732
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Total, .....	3080	5047
Increase, .....		1967

At least a fair portion of this increase may be attributed to the special evangelistic efforts put forth in the various Presbyteries during the past year.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Committee would recommend:

1. That each Presbytery be requested to appoint a Committee on Evangelistic Work. In the appointment of these committees for the ensuing year Presbyteries be requested to reorganize them so as to include, wherever necessary and as far as possible, those who have shown special interest and have had useful experience in evangelistic work.

2. That the Synod appoint a Committee on Evangelistic Work for the coming year, to consist of the chairmen of the committees of the various Presbyteries.

3. In accordance with the request of the Evangelistic Committee of the General Assembly, we recommend that special conferences of ministers and elders be held by each Presbytery for the deepening of spiritual life and to stimulate evangelistic effort on the part of pastors and members of our churches.

Many pastors have evangelistic gifts, and the holding of a conference in which methods could be studied and spiritual addresses delivered would accomplish excellent results. The Assembly's Committee offers to assist in such conferences, if desired.

4. (1) The inauguration of an evangelistic campaign to be participated in by all the churches in each Presbytery, to begin with the week of prayer, or at such other season as may be most convenient, and to continue for two or more weeks. Each pastor to hold his own services, except where it may be convenient to secure the aid of a neighboring pastor or an evangelist.

The object of this united effort to be:

- a. The quickening of the church members.
- b. Reclaiming of lapsed church members.
- c. A profession of faith on the part of children and young people.
- d. The enlistment of the non-church-goers and adherents of the church who are not active Christians.
- e. The bringing of unbelievers under the influence of the Gospel to the end that they may be saved and added to the Church.

- (2) The Week of Prayer to be devoted largely to cottage or neighborhood prayer meetings.

5. In view of the expressed preference of many pastors for the assistance in special services of their brethren in the Synod, that every pastor shall be requested to place himself, if possible, at the disposal of the Evangelistic Committee of his Presbytery for a period of ten days or two weeks, to be assigned for such service to the various churches by the committee after conference with the pastors of the churches.

That the names of those who are willing to do such work outside the bounds of their own Presbyteries shall be sent to the chairman of Synod's committee, to whom application for their services may be made.

By this means each Presbyterial committee will be better able to forward evangelistic work in the Presbytery.

6. That we recommend to all our churches a hearty response to the appeal of the General Assembly's Committee for financial assistance in their all-important work.

In the absence of the Rev. W. Beatty Jennings, D.D., a member of the Evangelistic Committee of the General Assembly, Synod\* was addressed on the subject of Evangelism by the Rev. Henry Collin Minton, D.D.

American  
Bible Society.

The work of the American Bible Society was presented to the Synod by the Rev. John Fox, D.D., one of the Secretaries of the Society.

The following resolution was adopted:

The Synod of New Jersey has heard with pleasure and interest some of the plans of the American Bible Society for the more effective organization of its work in this country, intended to meet the necessities of to-day, and especially to supply foreign immigrants and settlers with Scriptures in their own language. It takes occasion to commend this undertaking to its churches as especially worthy of their support.

The Synod also desires the Secretary of the Society, the Rev. Dr. John Fox, to bear to the colporteurs and other ministers of the Society of Siam, China and the Far East, their hearty Christian sympathy in their labors and burdens, praying God's blessing upon all that is done for the spread of the Gospel in the Orient.

College  
Board.

Rev. J. Stuart Dickson, D.D., Secretary of the College Board, now addressed the Synod in behalf of the work of that Board.

Brotherhood.

Mr. J. C. Day, Field Secretary of General Assembly's Committee on the Presbyterian Brotherhood, addressed the Synod in behalf of that movement.

Upon the request of the representatives of the Presbyterian Brotherhood, the following were named as a committee to secure delegates from the churches for a representation at the convention of the Brotherhood to be held at Indianapolis, Indiana, November 14th and 15th: Ministers, Frederick E. Stockwell, Robert Scott Inglis, D.D., and William I. Campbell; Elders, Clarence C. Robinson and Waldo C. Genung.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported that the matters of chief importance have already been called to the attention of Synod in connection with other reports.

General  
Assembly.

Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., President of the Board of Trustees of Synod, stated to Synod that the Trustees had not divided themselves into classes, as instructed by the last Synod, for the reason that they were informed by Judge William M. Lanning that the law did not apply to the Trustees of Synod. It was resolved to make record of this statement in the Minutes of Synod.

Trustees not  
in classes.

The following overture to the General Assembly, presented by Elder James Steen, was adopted:

*Resolved*, That Synod would overture the General Assembly to appoint a committee of mediation and arbitration, to treat with our Cumberland brethren who refuse to unite with us, and thus obviate all necessity for litigation.

Overture.

The Judicial Committee reported that no business had come before it.

It was ordered that the statistical reports be printed without being read.

The following resolution of thanks was unanimously adopted by a standing vote:

Thanks.

The Synod offers its hearty and appreciative thanks to the pastor of the church of Asbury Park, for the gracious and kindly entertainment afforded the Synod at this meeting, cordially congratulates him upon the great success of his labors for the welfare of the church, and tenders him its sincere sympathy in the protracted trial of illness in his household, praying for the Lord's blessing upon pastor, household and church in all their interests.

Next Place.

Atlantic City was chosen as the place of the next meeting of Synod.

Attendance.

The report of the Permanent Clerk on Attendance and Leave of Absence was read and is as follows:

The following have been excused for absence:

#### FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

*Elizabeth*—Minister Ezra F. Mundy.

*Monmouth*—Ministers Horace G. Hinsdale, D.D., Charles H. McClellan, D.D., Henry T. Graham.

*Newark*—Ministers Orville Reed, Ph.D., George L. Curtis, John Dikovics.

*New Brunswick*—Ministers Henry C. Cameron, Ph.D., D.D., Albert J. Weisley, Lewis Seymour Mudge, Linus L. Strock.

*Newton*—Ministers E. Clarke Cline, Horace D. Sassaman.

*West Jersey*—Minister Allen H. Brown, D.D.

#### AFTER TUESDAY MORNING.

*Jersey City*—Minister Fisher Howe Booth, Elder Willard T. Eddy.

#### AFTER TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

*Monmouth*—Ministers Richard R. Stier, William J. Kern, Elders Jacob Wilson, Joseph E. Dubois, David C. Lewis.

*Morris and Orange*—Elder John G. Withrow.

*Newark*—Elder Robert S. Grummon.

*New Brunswick*—Minister Sylvester W. Beach, Elder Augustus R. Van Mater.

*West Jersey*—Minister William V. Louderbough.

#### AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

*Elizabeth*—Ministers Charles F. Shaw, William I. Steans, D.D., Almer W. Karnell, Elders Adrian F. Bouton, Hiram L. Fink, J. Wheeler Clark, Clifford Willis.

*Jersey City*—Minister C. Rudolph Kuebler, D.D.

*Monmouth*—Minister Hugh K. Fulton.

*Morris and Orange*—Minister Baker Smith, D.D.

*Newark*—Minister Isaiah B. Hopwood, D.D.



*New Brunswick*—Ministers Francis Palmer, Daniel R. Foster, James W. Rogan, D.D., Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., Cordie J. Culp, Elder Isaac F. Richey.

*Newton*—Minister William Thomson, Elder John S. Stone.

*West Jersey*—Minister Thomas C. Stirling, Ph.D., Elders P. Kennedy Reeves, John Ott.

AFTER WEDNESDAY NOON.

*Corisco*—Minister Robert Hamill Nassau, S.T.D.

*Elizabeth*—Ministers Joseph G. Symmes, Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., Joseph O. McKelvey, Herbert K. England, John S. Zelig, Elders Leander N. Lovell, William Edgar, Nicholas C. J. English, Lemuel Neighbour, S. Clark Lum, Willitt H. C. Coles, Cornelius H. Clark.

*Jersey City*—Ministers James H. Owens, James Dallas Steele, Ph.D., Elders J. S. Biddell, Robert C. Haff.

*Monmouth*—Ministers Courtlandt P. Butler, Ormond W. Wright, Frank R. Symmes, Thomas Tyack, D.D., Charles Everett, D.D., Frank Lukens, Arthur W. Remington, William P. Finney, Frederick E. Stockwell, Spencer C. Dickson, Alexander H. Young, D.D., Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D., Elders J. L. Jamison, Levi C. Updike, William H. Miller.

*Morris and Orange*—Ministers Edwin R. Murgatroyd, Stanley White, Robert J. Johnston, Charles B. Bullard, Walter W. Hammond, D.D., Joseph D. Hillman, Thomas A. Reeves, Elders John Oliver, Richard H. Allen, I. Remsen Lane, Frederick H. De Coster, A. Judson Coe, William A. Ward.

*Newark*—Ministers David R. Frazer, D.D., Albert N. Stubblebine, Robert Scott Inglis, D.D., Nelson B. Chester, Davis W. Lusk, D.D., Joseph F. Folsom, Joseph Hamilton, Elders William S. Hartshorne, Alexander L. Runyon, William B. Dod.

*New Brunswick*—Ministers Matthew F. Johnston, Frederick B. Newman, John D. Davis, D.D., LL.D., Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., Samuel McLanahan, James B. Clark, Elders William Elmer, M.D., John C. Conover.

*Newton*—Ministers Irvin F. Wagner, Henry S. Butler, D.D., Edward Snyder, Elders Albert G. Creveling, Anthony F. O'Donnell.

*West Jersey*—Ministers Alfred P. Botsford, D.D., Frederick R. Brace, D.D., Robert Westley Peach, Harold S. Rambo, Joseph Lyons Ewing, James M. Hunting, Samuel D. Price, George W. Tomson, R. Hilliard Gage.

AFTER WEDNESDAY—4:30 P. M.

*Jersey City*—Minister Charles A. Evans, Ph.D.

*Monmouth*—Ministers John G. Lovell, Edgar C. Mason.

*Newark*—Elder Ebenezer A. Smith.

*New Brunswick*—Ministers D. Ruby Warne, Joseph Howell, Amzi L. Armstrong, William W. Knox, George H. Ingram, Henry Collin Minton, D.D., LL.D., Elders Wallace Lanning, E. T. McGalliard.

*Newton*—Minister J. De Hart Bruen.

The roll was called, and the following members were found to be absent without excuse:

*Elizabeth*—Ministers James G. Mason, D.D., William C. Rommel, Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., Charles E. Herring, Frederick D. Tildon, William Torrence Stuchell, John T. Reeve, James H. Northrup, Thomas D. Wesley, Elders Charles H. McBride, Joseph Dobbs, R. H. Radford, Frederick W. Mershon.

*Jersey City*—Ministers J. Francis Morgan, Ph.D., Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., Samuel R. MacClements, Elder William G. Hainski.

*Monmouth*—Ministers Samuel H. Thompson, D. D., Charles B. Austin, D.D., Joseph E. Curry, James M. L. Eckard, Charles L. Candee, Warren N. Nevius, Elders Thomas H. Prias, W. J. Shults, A. H. Bergen.

*Morris and Orange*—Ministers James M. Ludlow, D.D., John H. Brown, George L. Richmond, Wendell Prime Keeler, Robert H. Nichols, Ph.D., Robert P. Howie, Elders Samuel E. Young, Theodore M. Timms.

*Newark*—Ministers Llewellyn S. Fulmer, Israel L. White, Thomas B. Shannon, Elders Thomas Russell, Joseph Weber, Jr.

*New Brunswick*—Ministers John Dixon, D.D., George H. Bucher, Elders Andrew H. Hageman, Thomas D. Brokaw, Howard Gulick, N. H. Furman, William Harrison Muirheid, Robert L. Dobbins.

*Newton*—Ministers Percy Y. Schelly, James W. Martin, Ph.D.

*West Jersey*—Ministers Walter L. Steiner, Arthur Richards, Elders William Cumine, Eben S. Mattis.

Minutes.

The minutes of to-day's sessions were read, and the record was approved.

Adjournment.

The Synod adjourned to meet at Atlantic City on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 1907.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

JOHN T. KERR,

*Permanent Clerk.*

WALTER A. BROOKS,

*Stated Clerk.*



The preceding pages contain a  
complete and accurate record  
of the proceedings of the Synod of  
New Jersey, meeting at Asbury  
Park, October 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, 1906.

Attest. Walter A. Brooks,  
Stated Clerk.

Approved, so far as presented,  
to The General <sup>Assembly</sup> at Columbus Ohio  
May 1907.

Wm H. Roberts  
Moderator.

















## APPENDIX.

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### I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 15th, 1906.

This is the Narrative of Christian life and Christian work within the bounds of the Synod during the past year. It is not a preaching; it is a narrative. It does not tell what ought to be, but what is. It is a brief, simple statement of the facts reported in the Presbyterian Narratives which have come into the hands of the writer. This being so, there is no attempt at—no need of—elaboration nor explanation. Whether this story is true or not depends upon the truthfulness of the Presbyterian Narratives, and whether they are true or not depends upon the accuracy, the diligence, the faithfulness of the Sessions of our Churches.

Seven narratives have been received, viz.: Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newton, Newark, New Brunswick and West Jersey. No word has been heard from far-distant Corisco and from Elizabeth. There is nothing of unusual or of startling interest in any of these narratives, though in each one of them there are evident signs of progress and causes for thanksgiving to God.

There is scarcely an exception to the fact that the churches have been regularly supplied with preaching on the Lord's day. Here and there is a feeble church which has had to do with occasional preaching. The attendance, especially in the morning, has been good. In some instances it has equalled the reported membership, and in a few even exceeded it. Monmouth reports that the average attendance is 75 per cent. of the membership. The report says: "It is generally regarded in Presbyterian churches that the morning attendance should equal at least two-thirds of the membership. If that be a safe generalization it is patent that this Presbytery has exceeded the rule by nearly 9 per cent." Jersey City says: "The combined morning and evening attendance far outnumbers the roll of membership."

Only in a few churches is the attendance at the evening service equal to that at the morning service, and in cases where it is larger there is a cause for it in the fact that many of the people cannot be there in the morning, or in the large transient population in the midst of which the church is located. The majority of our churches have to be content with an attendance at the evening service equal to about one-third or one-half of the morning congregation.

In most churches the attendance of the children, especially of the children whose parents are members of the church, is a noteworthy fact in connection with the morning service. Some of our pastors preach short sermons to the children, while all in some way indicate their pleasure in the presence of the children. One church in Monmouth Presbytery says: "The children can give points to their elders in this respect, and we fear a similar charge might be laid against the adult portion of many of the Monmouth churches."

Evidently the prayer-meeting is a perplexing problem in the majority of the churches. The attendance varies all the way from 3 per cent. to 25 per cent. of the membership; from twenty to one hundred and fifty people. Morris and Orange says: "One would not like to estimate the effectiveness of the prayer-meetings by their attendance."

The Sunday-schools are nearly all well attended and are in a flourishing condition. Each church has a Sunday-school and some churches have two, three and even four schools under their care. Most of the accessions to our churches come from the Sunday-school. Newton reports 212; Newark more than 400. All of the narratives emphasize the fact that too much attention cannot be given to this great source of supply for the increase in the membership of our churches. Usually the Westminster Lesson Helps are given first place. In many schools the shorter catechism is not taught, at least with any regularity.

The women of our churches are well organized for work, and in all cases their effectiveness is warmly commended.

The men have come to the front during the past year. Many new organizations among the men are reported. Their aim and object is manifold. Monmouth says: "The character seems to be help in church service, intellectual culture, good fellowship and, in one instance, 'saving souls.'" The new Presbyterian Brotherhood seems to be meeting with some favor, though evidently already existing organizations of men are debating whether it will help them in their local conditions and work.

The young people have their organizations for worship and work, and seem to be, for the most part, in a prosperous condition. The Narratives have nothing special to report under this head, and it is assumed, therefore, that there is not much to encourage or discourage, though the inference is that the various young people's societies are doing a good work.

The spiritual condition of the churches seems to be good; "normal," one Presbytery says.

Jersey City says: "Two-thirds of the churches report unusual interest in spiritual things. The evangelistic campaign has been the means of quickening whole communities, and our churches have been aggressively in the lead wherever opportunity was afforded. As a legitimate result, many of our congregations report large accessions."

Newton says: "Spiritual life has been more vigorous than for years. An atmosphere of prayer has prevailed, special meetings have been held in most of our churches and a condition of revival and conversion has been reached, as seen in the additions on examination, which reached 375."

Morris and Orange says: "The special services held during the year were well attended, were helpful in stimulating interest, but the effects were felt rather within than without the church, judging from the data."

The difficulties in the way of the progress of religion, as reported, are sundry and divers. While the good wheat of the Word has been sown, the tares have been sown also.

Jersey City says: "Indifference, worldliness, apathy and unbelief, the influences of suburban life, the secularization of the Sabbath by those seeking the country as city visitors, lack of prayerfulness and self-sacrifice."

Monmouth says, among other things: "Church families are childless, homes are unstable, moved from one place to another, young people withdraw to larger centres, taking out blood needed for growth; foreigners enter with no desire for religious privileges."

These are fair samples of the difficulties which our churches have to contend with in their attempts to extend the Kingdom of God.

The benevolences of our churches are, in most instances, well sustained. In many instances there is substantial growth, and only in a very few is there decline, and in such cases there is usually a good reason.

Newark reports one pastor as saying that "the old-fashioned Presbyterians are dying off and the younger set is more diffusive and less benevolent."

Newton says: "Congregations, to their regret, have an opportunity to contribute to all the Boards of the Church," but adds, "and do so contribute." Some narratives complain of a falling off in gifts to our Boards, due to a multiplicity of objects presented for contributions.

When it comes to family religion there is disagreement in the narratives. Some contend that family religion is about what it ought to be, or at least what it may be expected to be under existing conditions, while others bewail its steady decline.

Jersey City says: "The answers in reference to family religious life, while almost entirely favorable, were not specific enough to justify specific conclusions. Still the cheering fact that 437 children baptized in childhood were formally received into active fellowship in our churches this past year indicates a faithfulness in the home and by the constituted authorities in the churches that ought to occasion hopefulness for the future."

West Jersey says: "To the question concerning the supervision of the Sessions over children from within the pale of the visible Church most men answered with a perfunctory 'yes,' but a few more candidly said 'no,' or answered with exclamation points." The narrator con-

cludes: "Unless my experience has been unusual, I feel that the average Session surely does not perform this function in an ordinary church.'

The finances are in the hands of trustees in nearly all our churches. The financial obligations seem to be met with fidelity, though one narrative says "with fidelity, if by fidelity is not meant promptness." Another says: "They are met with fidelity, providing fidelity does not include obligations when due. Some of our ministers have to wait weary weeks and months before the salary due is paid." The reports do not indicate, however, that there are many churches that are thus heedless of their financial obligations. It is believed that the great majority of our churches are faithful and prompt in this matter.

This is not a complete narrative, for the most important things in the life of a church after all cannot be narrated. Statistics cannot compute them—words cannot express them—but, all things considered, the tangible results recorded, the faithful work done, the adversaries opposing, this has been a good year, and we have much reason to thank God and take courage.

JOHN F. PATTERSON,

*Chairman.*

## II. NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

During the past year the messenger of death has come to eight of the four hundred and ninety members of the Synod of New Jersey.

These deaths occurred in the following order:

- 1st. Rev. S. S. Orris, Ph.D., L.H.D.....December 17th, 1905.
- 2d. Rev. Robert Burt, .....January 24th, 1906.
- 3d. Rev. O. Howell Hazard, .....April 1st, 1906.
- 4th. Rev. Leonidas E. Coyle, .....April 12th, 1906.
- 5th. Rev. Benjamin Labaree, .....May 14th, 1906.
- 6th. Rev. Edward Blanchard Hodge, D.D., .....June 15th, 1906.
- 7th. Rev. Joseph Gilliard Williamson, .....July 19th, 1906.
- 8th. Rev. George W. Lloyd, .....September 28th, 1906.

The Presbyteries suffering loss were:

Elizabeth, twice.

New Brunswick, twice.

Newton, twice.

Monmouth, once.

West Jersey, once.

The Presbyteries of Corisco, Havana, Morris and Orange and Newark have each been spared two successive years.

The deaths of the past seven years have been at the following rate, as reported in the Minutes of Synod: 1900, 14; 1901, 9; 1902, 8; 1903, 10; 1904, 9; 1905, 10; 1906, 8. The number of the past year is thus unusually small, and with one exception (1902) is the least in these years.

The proportion of the membership of Synod is one out of every sixty-one ministers. Their ages were between sixty-four and eighty-five, with the high average of seventy-four and three-quarters years. Four had passed four-score years. One had passed the allotted three-score and ten by four years, two were sixty-six, and the youngest was sixty-four.

The combined years of ministerial labor were three hundred and sixty-six, with an average of forty-five and three-quarters. The shortest ministry was that of thirty-seven years, and the longest that of fifty-seven. One had enjoyed a pastorate of fifty years in one charge, and another of twenty-nine, and a third of twenty-four years.

One death claimed a member of this Committee, and made vacant an important Secretaryship of the Church Boards. One removed a faithful and successful workman from the foreign field. Each death broke precious ties, but at the same time brought God's faithful servants to their heavenly reward and to higher life and better service. Each has been a reminder of our own mortality, and, considered to-day, should unitedly appeal to us, the living, for a truer and closer fellowship with one another and our Master, and for a more consecrated life. With bowed heads we humbly say, "Still, let us serve."

*Presbytery of New Brunswick.*

REV. SAMUEL STANHOPE ORRIS, PH.D., L.H.D.,

was born near Icksburg, Pa., February 19th, 1832. He united with the Presbyterian Church of Lower Tuscarora, Pa., at the age of 18.

He completed his preparatory studies at Truro Academy, in Academia, Pa., and entered Princeton in 1856. Imperfect health compelled him to withdraw for two years, after which he re-entered Princeton, and graduated with the class of 1862. In the fall of that year he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, and, after a full course, graduated in 1865.

He became tutor in the College of New Jersey 1865-66, was ordained by the Presbytery of Hunterdon May 30th, 1866, and was at the same time installed pastor of the Spruce Creek Church, Pa., where he remained until 1869.

Between 1869 and 1870 he studied in Germany. Returning, he served in one of the chapels of the Collegiate Reformed Church, of New York, for one year. He was chosen professor of Greek language and literature in Marietta College, Ohio, teaching there from 1873 to 1877.

He was then appointed by the directors of his Alma Mater professor of Greek and instructor in Greek philosophy at Princeton, and ably filled this chair for twenty-five years, when, in 1902, he was made professor emeritus.

While journeying around the world he was stricken with paralysis at Hong Kong, China. Returning to this country, he was again stricken, and died at Harrisburg, Pa., December 19th, 1905, aged 74. He remained unmarried.

Guileless in spirit, gentlemanly in character, enthusiastic in study, faithful in the discharge of duty, he will long be remembered by those who knew him. Princeton honored him in 1875 with the degree of Ph.D., and Lafayette in 1889 with L.H.D.

*Presbytery of Newton.*

REV. ROBERT BURTT

was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 3d, 1825. He was the son of Rev. John Burtt, the first editor of the "Presbyterian." His studies were pursued at Cincinnati College, after completing which he was appointed principal of Spencer Academy, among the Choctaws, by the Board of Foreign Missions, and taught for five years. He then entered the Western Theological Seminary at Allegheny, Pa., and took a two years' course. He was ordained in 1860 by the Missouri River Presbytery, and appointed superintendent of the Omaha Mission, serving as such from 1860 to 1866 with eminent satisfaction and success. Compelled to change his field of labor by failing health, he accepted an appointment from the Board of Home Missions at Osceola, Iowa, where



he served three years. From 1868 to 1872 he supplied the church at Woodstown, N. J.; then from 1872 to 1879 was pastor at South Amboy. Then, accepting a call to Marksboro, N. J., he labored there as pastor for seventeen years, retiring in 1896.

He died January 24th, 1906, in his 81st year. He was twice married. First to Miss Cynthia Goodyear Bateman, of Blackwood, N. J., who shared his labors till her death, in 1894. He afterward married Miss Emily E. Coursen, of Marksboro, N. J. She and two children survive him.

Mr. Burt was a man of God, who preached a pure and simple gospel, who bore the severest hardships without complaining, and discharged his duties as teacher and preacher with fidelity and efficiency. In his Presbytery he rendered faithful service as the Chairman of the Sabbath-school Committee and as the Chairman of the Committee of Ministerial Relief.

*Presbytery of New Brunswick.*

REV. O. HOWELL HAZARD

was born June 11th, 1826, in Ewing N. J. His studies were pursued in Trenton, N. J., where afterward he was for many years a teacher in the Trenton Academy. He studied at Princeton Theological Seminary, though not graduating. He was ordained by the Presbytery of New Brunswick April 20th, 1864. He was stated supply at Bordentown, N. J., from 1863 to 1865, was pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, of New Brunswick, N. J., from 1865 to 1868, and at Freedom Plains, N. Y., as pastor, from 1868 to 1875; then pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Highland Falls, N. Y., from 1875 to 1880. Resigning because of failing health, he served various churches as stated supply, residing in Bound Brook, N. J.

He was throughout his ministry a diligent student of the Scriptures, a frequent contributor to the secular and religious press, a faithful preacher of the Gospel, a son of consolation to many in sorrow, though himself greatly afflicted. He was cheerful and hopeful to the end, even when suffering the partial weakness of his physical and mental powers. He was called to the perfect life April 1st, 1906. A widow and one son survive him.

*Presbytery of West Jersey.*

REV. LEONIDAS EDMOND COYLE

was born in Washington, D. C., March 10th, 1842. His parents were Leonidas Coyle and Harriet L. Edmond. He was graduated from Columbian College in 1862. Entered the Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J., and after a full course, graduated in 1868. He was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Potomac in 1867, and ordained

by the Presbytery of West Jersey April 28th, 1870. He was installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church of West Bridgeton, N. J., where he served thirteen years. Resigning his charge, he was to the end of his life connected with the educational work of Bridgeton, both at Seven Gables and Ivy Hall, young ladies' seminaries. He frequently assisted his brethren in the ministry, his sermons being always of a high order, original, instructive and deeply spiritual.

He was a man of marked gifts and graces, greatly loved by his people and highly esteemed by all. To a gentle spirit there was added a gracious manner and a generous culture. His scholarly tastes and studious habits were supplemented by artistic ability and musical talent. He was master of the organ, a noted teacher and a rare interpreter of music. The beautiful church building of West Bridgeton is a witness to his wonderful taste and skill in architecture, and will remain a monument to his memory, but fashioned after his plans will also ever be a suggestive symbol of the solidarity, elegance and repose of his character.

He died at Washington, D. C., April 12th, 1906, aet 64. In the words of the Secretary of his Presbytery, "his death was felt to be a calamity by the people of Bridgeton." He married Miss Georgianna Dunn, of Princeton, N. J. She, with seven of their eight children, survive him.

#### *Presbytery of Monmouth.*

REV. EDWARD BLANCHARD HODGE, D.D.

was born in Philadelphia, Pa., February 5th, 1841. He was one of seven sons, born to Hugh Lenox Hodge, M.D., LL.D., and Margaret Elizabeth Aspinwall Hodge. He prepared for college at Dr. Cranford's school, Philadelphia, and entered the University of Pennsylvania at 14 years of age, and graduated in 1859. His father being a professor in the medical department of the university, he pursued medical studies for a time. He entered Princeton Theological Seminary, where his uncle, Rev. Dr. Charles Hodge, was the distinguished professor in theology, and graduated in 1863, but continued his studies there for a year. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Burlington and installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Burlington City, N. J., on April 28th, 1864, and remained its pastor for twenty-nine years. This was his only pastorate, and he was a member of but one Presbytery, as the Presbytery of Burlington, which ordained him, was merged, at the Reunion in 1870, into the Presbytery of Monmouth, with which he still stood connected at the time of his death.

In 1868 he married Miss Alice Cornwell Van Rensselaer, daughter of Rev. Dr. Courtlandt Van Rensselaer, who, after sharing the joys of his home and ministry for ten years, died in 1878.

In 1893, having been elected Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education, he resigned his pastorate and entered upon the discharge of his duties with rare ability and zeal. In this important office he



had served the Church and the cause of education wisely and well for thirteen years, when the end came suddenly and unexpectedly.

On June 14th he was hurriedly taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, where, after an operation, he died on the following day, June 15th, 1906, in his 66th year.

Honors were conferred upon him, and many high offices claimed his administrative ability and a share of his zeal and energy.

Princeton University honored him with the title of Doctor of Divinity in 1892. His Presbytery made him a Commissioner to the General Assembly three times. He was elected both a Director and a Trustee of Princeton Theological Seminary. He was a Trustee of Monmouth Presbytery, a Director of the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund; was First Vice-President of the Presbyterian Historical Society. In March, 1904, he was made President of the "Presbyterian Publishing Company," and later became its supervising editor, as well as a frequent contributor to its weekly periodical, "The Presbyterian."

Rendering efficient service in so many and such varied offices, it is no wonder that he is greatly missed and widely mourned. Godly ancestry, noble example, inspiring traditions, high ideals, careful culture, exalted fellowship, largest opportunity and weighty responsibility, these were the things which combined to bring to their highest development his natural qualities of mind, heart and will.

But the daily, professional and devotional study of the Word, constant and close fellowship with God, the sanctifying influences of great sorrows, and the perfecting of suffering gave to him that rare combination of "strength and beauty" which all recognized and admired. Gifted by nature, blessed by Providence, he was perfected by grace, and is now crowned with glory. His commanding presence, his snow-crowned head, his calm and kindly countenance claimed for him instant attention wherever he went, while his crystal sincerity, his clear judgment, his cloudless convictions, his close reasoning and his controlled temper won him widest favor among men. As guest within the home, his cheery greeting, his courteous grace, his considerate interest, his cordial championship, his cultured conversation, and withal his chastened spirit will long be cherished as loving memories by those whose privilege it was to extend him hospitality.

As expressive of his high ideal of the ministry, we may quote from the close of his last report to the General Assembly, his words, and through them, he being dead, may yet speak to-day: "Let us put complainants to silence by seeking above all to be holy men; not only without scandal, but men walking very closely with God and full of zeal for His service; by devoting ourselves to study with unflagging diligence, particularly the study of the sacred Scriptures; by avoiding everything that would in any way give rise to the suspicion of mercenary motives, being ready, if need be, to suffer loss for the privilege of preaching the Gospel of Christ." Embodying and illustrating this ideal, he silenced the complaints of the "unreasonable," and winning the deserved commendation of his brethren, has in the end received the "well done"

of the Master. Sainted companion and martyred missionary son have given him glad greeting, and we "rejoice with those who thus rejoice," while we "weep with those who weep."

The funeral services were held June 18th, at 3 P. M., in the Woodland Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and he was laid at rest in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia. Three children survive him, Dr. Edward B. Hodge, Jr., Margaret Elizabeth Hodge and Katharine Cogswell Hodge.

*Presbytery of Elizabeth.*

REV. JOSEPH GILLIARD WILLIAMSON

was born in Philadelphia, Pa., November 17th, 1824. He graduated with the first class passing through the Philadelphia High School. He graduated from Delaware College, Delaware, in 1846. He entered Union Theological Seminary, New York, but spent the last year of his theological course at Princeton Theological Seminary, and graduated in 1849. He was ordained by the Fourth Presbytery of Philadelphia, Pa., November 21st, 1849, and became pastor of the Bethlehem Church, of Sidney, Hunterdon county, N. J., and remained there until after he had celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his pastorate.

For a few years after his retirement he lived among the people whom he had served so many years, but after the death of his wife, Miss Emeline Stives, he made his home with a daughter in Plainfield, N. J., where, on July 19th, 1906, he died. His remains were laid to rest in the church yard of the Bethlehem Church. Three sons entered the ministry, one of whom and two married daughters survive him. That he served the same church for fifty years is in itself his best eulogy.

*Presbytery of Elizabeth.*

REV. BENJAMIN LABAREE

was born March 21st, 1834, at Columbia, Tenn. He was the son of Rev. Benjamin Labaree, president of Middlebury College, Vermont. Graduating from this institution, he studied theology at Andover Theological Seminary, completing his course in 1859. Under commission from the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, he labored for a short time at Bridgewater, Vt. He was ordained by the Congregational Council at Middlebury, Vt., in June, 1860. In the same year, under commission of the American Board of Foreign Missions, he went to Persia. In 1870 this work in Persia was transferred to the Presbyterian Board.

Returning to this country because of sickness in his family, he spent several years overseeing the publication of some of his translations, through the American Bible Society and American Tract Society, and acting in place of one of the secretaries of foreign missions. Residing at Roselle, he became connected with the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

Returning to Persia in 1898, he had associated with him in that field his son, Benjamin Woods Labaree, afterward the martyred missionary. A younger son, Robert M. Labaree, also joined his father, taking the place of his murdered brother. Last spring sickness and disease compelled him to return to this country, but he never completed his journey. He died in mid-ocean May 14th. Funeral services were held in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, of New York, and he was laid at rest at Enfield, Mass. His work in Persia was varied and abundant. Purity of character, carefulness of habit, self-sacrifice of spirit and untiring energy were all combined in this noble servant of God.

A son survives, who succeeds the father in his work, with two daughters, who reside in Stamford, Conn.

*Presbytery of Newton.*

REV. GEORGE W. LLOYD

was born of Welsh parentage, in London, Eng., on January 11th, 1821. He was educated partly in London and partly in Dover, Eng.

In 1850 he came to the United States and took up mission work in Newark, N. J. He was instrumental in organizing the South Park Presbyterian Church, it being the outgrowth of work begun by him in the Chestnut street depot. Later the Wyckliffe Presbyterian Church was organized out of a mission begun by him. He was afterward appointed City Missionary, acting Chaplain of the City Prison and the Seaman's Bethel, and spent five years in arduous work.

Owing to impaired health he returned to England in November, 1855, but returned two years later, restored. In November, 1857, he accepted a call from the Presbyterian Church of Branchville, N. J., was ordained and installed December 1st, 1857, by the Presbytery of Rockaway. Here he remained until 1866.

He removed to Escanaba, Mich., under commission of the Home Mission Board, and organizing a Presbyterian Church, remained until the close of 1869.

Accepting a call from Harrison, Wis., he served it until 1875; was pastor of Church of Marengo, Iowa, 1875 to 1882; was recalled to Church of Branchville, N. J., and was reinstalled pastor April 16th, 1884, and served it until June 25th, 1899.

He died September 28th, 1906, aged 85 years 8 months and 17 days. His remains lie in Branchville Cemetery, N. J. Mr. Lloyd was a man of great devotion and of a lovely Christian spirit. His literary ability was of a high order, as is shown by several little gems from his pen. He was married in England to Miss Sarah Prince, daughter of an independent minister. Eight children were born to them, but only two unmarried daughters survive him.

W. W. KNOX,  
*Chairman.*

### III.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

#### RECEIPTS.

The twenty years of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey have been years of almost steady increase in the amounts received. In only five years out of the twenty have the receipts failed to show an advance over the preceding year; then, like a stream dammed for a moment, the current of gifts has leaped ahead at greater speed. Very appropriately the twentieth year is marked by total receipts, for the first time, of more than \$20,000. The work has passed out of its teens, at the same time in age and income. The exact figures are \$20,159.10. They exceed by almost precisely \$1,000 the receipts of last year, which in turn were \$600 greater than any hitherto. They are almost double those of the first full year of this work.

The chief credit for this advance during the past year belongs to the Presbytery of Elizabeth. The churches of that Presbytery fully met the apportioned amount, and the individual giver, who for several years has given \$1,000 annually, was joined this year by another who gave \$400. These gifts carry the total from that Presbytery up to more than \$4,400. But five other Presbyteries shared in the advance. In the order of amount of increase they are New Brunswick, Morris and Orange, Newark, Monmouth and Jersey City.

Six Presbyteries met in full the amount asked from them by Synod, and each of them gave something more. They are Elizabeth, New Brunswick, Morris and Orange, Jersey City, West Jersey and Monmouth. West Jersey holds the splendid record of never having failed in twenty years to have her quota in the Treasurer's hands when his books closed. The record of Morris and Orange and of Elizabeth is almost as good.

The total receipts in twenty years have been \$314,492.04.

#### EXPENDITURES.

The Committee were influenced throughout the year by the fact to which attention was called in the last report, that for two years receipts had not equalled expenditures. It sought, while stimulating gifts, to husband resources. Disbursements have been about \$150 less than last year, amounting to \$19,353.85. Including gifts from the regular and special funds, the distribution to the several Presbyteries has been almost the same as for the preceding twelve months. The Presbyteries which used less money were, in the order of the greatness of decrease: Jersey City, West Jersey, Morris and Orange and Monmouth. Those in which increased sums were spent, proceeding

now from less to greater, were Elizabeth, New Brunswick, Newton and Newark.

The excess of receipts over expenditures, which in the last days of the fiscal year, but only then, rose to about \$600, is both gratifying and encouraging. This financial condition, and this alone, warrants and provides for the new, aggressive work for which our opportunities so loudly call.

#### THE WORK DONE.

The raising and expending of money are only means to an end. Reports, not complete in all particulars, show that Synod's fund has been used to aid in supporting 87 ministers. They have preached regularly in 84 organized churches and at 24 missions, or outlying points, a total of 108 fields thus supplied. The average attendance aggregates more than 6,000 souls, the church membership is 6,225 and that of the Sunday-schools 8,600. During the Synodical year there were added upon profession of faith 562 and by certificate 325, a total of nearly 900 additions.

These 108 churches and missions hold property estimated to be worth \$575,000, upon which a very small amount of debt rests. Over \$30,000 have been spent in these fields for paying debts, making repairs and erecting new buildings; over \$33,000 have been raised toward pastors' salaries, and \$20,000 for other current expenses, and \$5,000 for beneficence, a total of more than \$90,000, of which 6 per cent. was for the spread of the Kingdom outside the congregations.

These figures show, not only how much the money given through Synod's funds directly accomplishes, but how much more of property and gifts it helps to make effective.

Two churches attained self-support during the year—Carlstadt (German), in Jersey City Presbytery, and Toms River, in Monmouth Presbytery.

Reductions in the amount of aid were made generally in the fields of Jersey City Presbytery, in four fields in West Jersey and in three in Monmouth.

#### NOTABLE FEATURES IN THE PRESBYTERIES.

Newton Presbytery, by reason of the nature of the work there, reveals in the reports from its churches the adverse conditions and hard struggle which is now the lot of many weaker country churches.

In West Jersey Presbytery there were large accessions to the churches of Westminster, Atlantic City; Collingswood and the Italian Mission in Vineland. A manse was provided for the latter through the liberality of the late Rev. R. B. Moore, D.D., of that place.

The unusual feature of the year in Monmouth Presbytery was the building of a church by the Hungarians of South River. In aid of this the churches of the Presbytery raised a special fund of \$1,100,



and additional aid has been given for furnishing. The value of the plant is about \$5,000.

In the Presbytery of New Brunswick there was a large accession to membership and great improvement in the financial condition of Witherspoon Street Church, Princeton. A mission for Italians has been started in a building loaned by the latter church and supported by the First Church, Princeton.

The event of the year in the Presbytery of Elizabeth was the erection of Garwood Chapel, by the liberality of individuals and the co-operation of the churches, at a cost of \$6,000. The Presbytery has withdrawn from Hungarian work in Perth Amboy, leaving that field to the National Hungarian Church, which has erected a building there.

The Presbytery of Newark received the church of Vailsburg from Morris and Orange. A new church building was erected for the Italians in Montclair and a missionary employed. In the city of Newark a church has been provided for the Hungarian congregation, which is cared for by the Third Church. The mission now has 82 regularly contributing members enrolled. The First Church of Newark has erected a building for a second Italian Presbyterian Church in that city, and is carrying on a successful work in it. A mission for Ruthenians, a group of whom has been gathered by a colporteur, is in contemplation.

In Morris and Orange new work has been started among the Italians in Morristown. A church building has been built, free of debt, for the Hungarians in Wharton through their own gifts and the assistance of the church at Dover, the Presbytery and the Board of Church Erection.

In Jersey City Presbytery the Committee has sought, with success, to develop the liberality of all the churches and the spirit of self-help in those hitherto aided, in order that the Presbytery may enter more actively into work for the great masses of foreign-speaking people within its bounds. During the summer a colporteur gathered a congregation of about fifty Hungarians at Shady Side, for whom some services will be provided. Jersey City has been canvassed by an Italian colporteur with a view to establishing some work among them.

#### INTER-SYNODICAL CONFERENCE.

Two members of Synod's Committee, appointed under the authority given by Synod last year, attended the conference of representatives of the Home Mission Committees of the self-supporting Synods in Pittsburg November 23-25. There was an enlightening and helpful comparison of methods in all the departments of the work. Steps were taken to secure uniformity in reports and co-operation, particularly in work among the people of foreign speech. Among practical results immediately secured, the Board of Publication and Sabbath-School Work was led to place its colporteurs among foreigners under

the direction of the committees in charge of the other forms of mission work for these classes in Presbyteries or Synods.

Through the courtesy of the Home Mission Board a page each month in the *Assembly Herald* has been secured, which will be used successively by the several Synods in the interest of their work.

It was unanimously resolved that, at least, a second conference should be held. This has been called to meet in Indianapolis, November 12th and 13th.

#### COMMITTEE CHANGES.

The Committee has investigated the matter of incorporation and, at present advised, proposes at once to effect incorporation under the authority granted by Synod last year.

The Committee have learned with very great regret that, owing to an accumulation of work laid upon him, Rev. William P. Finney has resigned the chairmanship of the Synodical Home Mission Committee in Monmouth Presbytery, and that, therefore, his membership on Synod's Committee ceases at this time. We bear most hearty testimony to his efficiency, both in the gathering of offerings from the churches and in caring for and stimulating the fields aided within his Presbytery, and to his faithfulness, genial spirit and wisdom displayed in the meetings of Synod's Committee.

The Committee has been informed that the Rev. Thomas Tyack, D.D., has been appointed chairman for Monmouth Presbytery. We give him a cordial welcome to share with us the fellowship and labors of Synod's Committee.

#### LOOKING AHEAD.

The gifts which the Presbyteries and churches are asked to make in the apportionment herewith submitted will barely suffice to maintain the work already undertaken. To provide for the new and extraordinary calls growing out of recent immigration, appeal must be made to the liberality of individuals who will make gifts for the purpose to Synod's Special Fund independent of and in excess of the apportionments.

As, with the blessing of God, it has been through the intelligent interest and hearty co-operation of pastors, elders and people that the splendid work of the past twenty years has been accomplished; so to them the Committee turns anew and with confidence for support in the still larger labors and graver responsibilities which lie before this Synod in its effort to win and hold New Jersey for Christ.

A brief historical sketch of the "Twenty Years of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey" will be issued shortly and sent to ministers and elders.

Leaflets and envelopes for contributions may be obtained free by application to the Secretary of the Committee, Rev. R. H. Gage, Wenonah, N. J.



## RESOLUTIONS.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That upon this occasion, when the Synod is celebrating the twenty years of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey, Synod sends its greetings and an expression of its appreciation to Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D., to whose initiative in church courts and to whose labors upon the field this movement has owed so much.

2. That Synod gratefully recognizes the blessing of God which has attended Synodical Home Mission Work for twenty years; the loyalty and liberality of pastors, elders and people in sustaining this work; the attention, energy and wisdom of those who have hitherto directed it, and the faithfulness, self-sacrifice, labors and success of the ministers and people in the churches and missions which have been aided.

3. That from the balance in the Treasurer's hands the sum of twelve hundred dollars be set apart as a special fund to be controlled by Synod's Committee for New or Exceptional Work, and that individuals be and are hereby encouraged to make additions to this special fund.

4. That the several Presbyteries be asked to raise during the current fiscal year at least the following amounts:

Elizabeth, at 30 cents per member, .....	\$3,197 70
Jersey City, at 26 cents per member, .....	2,207 14
Monmouth, at 26 cents per member, .....	1,778 40
Morris and Orange, at 30 cents per member, .....	3,306 00
Newark, at 22 cents per member, .....	3,071 20
New Brunswick, at 30 cents per member, .....	2,898 60
Newton, at 22 cents per member, .....	1,324 84
West Jersey, at 26 cents per member, .....	2,313 74
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	\$20,097 62

5. That grants be made to the Presbyteries from the general fund of sums not to exceed the following amounts:

Elizabeth, .....	\$1,800 00
Jersey City, .....	2,750 00
Monmouth, .....	3,400 00
Morris and Orange, .....	1,800 00
Newark, .....	2,500 00
New Brunswick, .....	2,000 00
Newton, .....	1,100 00
West Jersey, .....	4,200 00
Administration, .....	500 00
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	\$20,050 00

SAMUEL McLANAHAN,

*Chairman.*

## IV.—TREASURER'S REPORT—SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

*To the Synod of New Jersey:*

I present to you herewith my report as Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Funds for the twentieth fiscal year, beginning October 1st, 1905, and ending September 30th, 1906.

The receipts have been as follows:

To balance according to last annual report—

General work, .....	\$1,119 65
Van Meter Fund, .....	98 05
" contributions from Presb. of Elizabeth, .....	\$3,057 32
" " " Mr. Ralph Voorhees, Elizabeth, .....	1,000 00
" " " Mr. L. B. Miller, Elizabeth, .....	400 00
" " " Presb. of Jersey City, .....	2,104 02
" " " " " Monmouth, .....	1,759 30
" " " " " Morris & Orange, .....	3,301 03
" " " " " Newark, .....	2,108 49
" " " " " New Brunswick, .....	2,992 55
" " " " " Newton, .....	998 71
" " " " " West Jersey, ....	2,214 41
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	19,935 83
" interest on balance in bank, .....	38 44
" Van Meter Fund, West Jersey Presbytery, .....	184 83
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Total receipts for the year, .....	\$21,376 80

The disbursements to ministers and missionaries have been as follows:

In Presbytery of Elizabeth, .....	\$1,780 00
" " " Jersey City, .....	2,495 00
" " " Monmouth, .....	3,513 50
" " " Morris and Orange, .....	1,675 50
" " " Newark, .....	1,907 50
" " " New Brunswick, .....	1,945 67
" " " Newton, .....	1,016 67
" " " West Jersey, .....	4,135 24
For administration expenses, .....	302 27
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	\$18,771 35

Out of the balance on hand October 1st, 1905, there has been expended for special work:

In Presbytery of Newark, .....	520 00
" " " New Brunswick—a special contribution was used, .....	62 50
Payment account of Van Meter Fund, .....	100 00

Balance to be carried to next year's work, .....	\$1,740 07	
" " credit of Van Meter Fund, .....	182 88	
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		1,922 95
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		\$21,376 80

The following schedules are annexed to and form a part of this report:

Schedule I. Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

Schedule II. Showing the total contributions received from the respective Presbyteries.

Schedule III. Showing the amounts which the various Presbyteries were asked to contribute, and the amounts received from them respectively.

Schedule IV. Showing the appropriations to the different Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services during the year, and the unused balances of appropriations which have fallen into the General Fund under the provisions of Article VI, Section 6, of the plan revised October 17th, 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. STEVENSON,

*Treasurer.*

Dated ROSELLE, N. J., October 8th, 1906.

## SCHEDULE 1.

Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.						
Basking Ridge,.....		\$101 10				\$101 10
Bethlehem,.....		10 00				10 00
Carteret, 1st.....				\$14 50		14 50
Clarksville (Glen Gardner),.....		15 00				15 00
Clinton,.....		80 00				80 00
Cokesbury,.....	\$100 00	22 20				22 20
Connecticut Farms,.....		50 00				50 00
Cranford, 1st,.....		115 80				115 80
Dunellen,.....		50 10				50 10
Elizabeth, 1st,.....		108 88	\$34 61			143 49
" 2d,.....			250 00			250 00
" 3d,.....		80 83		\$9 15		140 00
" 1st German,.....		20 00				20 00
" Greystone,.....		77 67				77 67
" Madison Avenue,.....		15 52				15 52
" Siloam,.....	300 00	9 30				9 30
" Westminster,.....		191 10				191 10
" Bethany Chapel,.....	200 00	8 80				8 80
Garwood,.....	360 00					
".....	150 00					
Keasbey,.....	50 00	4 20				4 20
Lamington,.....		2 00				2 00
Liberty Corner,.....		54 30				54 30
Lower Valley, Califon,.....		54 60				54 60
Maurer, German, 1st,.....		50 00				50 00
Metuchen, 1st,.....		5 00				5 00
Metuchen, 1st,.....		70 04				70 04
Perth Amboy, 1st,.....		93 93	4 17			98 10
" Hungarian,.....	320 00					
Plainfield, 1st,.....		116 84				116 84
" Crescent Avenue,.....		273 90				273 90
" Bethel Chapel,.....		23 10				23 10
" Hope Chapel,.....		111 00				111 00
" Warren Chapel,.....		79 50				79 50
Pluckamin,.....		22 50	9 00			31 50
Rahway, 1st,.....		117 60				117 60
" 2d,.....		160 00				160 00
" 1st German,.....	300 00	10 00				70 00
Roselle,.....		96 00	50 00			146 00
Springfield,.....		60 00				60 00
Westfield,.....		200 00				200 00
Woodbridge,.....		60 00				60 00
Mr. Ralph Voorhees,.....				\$1000 00		1000 00
Mr. L. B. Miller,.....					200 00	200 00
Rev. Samuel Parry,.....					10 00	10 00
Rev. Ezra F. Mundy,.....					5 00	5 00
Totals,.....	\$1780 00	\$2620 89	\$347 78	\$73 65	\$1475 00	\$4457 32

## SCHEDULE 1—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.						
Bayonne, Christ, .....		\$32 70				\$32 70
Carlstadt, German, .....	\$98 90	10 00				10 00
Englewood, 1st, .....		553 75				553 75
"    West Side, .....		14 31				14 31
Garfield, .....		5 00	\$17 25	\$3 00		25 25
Hackensack, 1st, .....		47 20				47 20
Hoboken, 1st, .....		3 50				3 50
Jersey City, 1st, .....		264 26				264 26
"    2d, .....		64 00				64 00
"    Claremont, .....		84 00				84 00
"    Jno. Knox, .....						
"    Westminster, .....		88 40				88 40
"    Lafayette, .....						
Leonia, .....		12 50				12 50
Norwood, .....	200 00	10 40				10 40
Newfoundland (Oak Ridge), .....	100 00	20 60				20 60
Passaic, 1st, .....		46 92	30 00			76 92
"    Dundee, .....	200 00					
"    German, .....	200 00	20 00				20 00
"    Grace, .....	200 00	12 54	22 28			34 82
Paterson, 1st, .....		36 45				36 45
"    2d, .....		161 17				161 17
"    3d, .....		5 00				5 00
"    1st German, .....		15 00				15 00
"    Broadway German, .....						
"    Church of the Redeemer, .....		75 87				75 87
"    East Side, .....		57 00				57 00
"    Lake View, .....	100 00	9 00		3 00		12 00
"    Madison Avenue, .....		30 00				30 00
"    St. Augustine, .....	60 00					
"    Westminster, .....						
"    Albion Place, .....	100 00					
Ridgewood, 1st, .....	100 00	36 11	6 00	1 14		43 25
Rutherford, 1st, .....		50 52	85 00			135 52
"    Lyndhurst, .....	57 00					
"    Kingsland, .....	70 00					
"    Emanuel, .....	107 10					
Tenafly, .....		22 83	7 12	10 00		39 95
Teaneck, .....	100 00					
West Hoboken, .....		95 20				95 20
"    Armenian, .....	285 00					
"    Syrian, .....	115 00					
West Milford, .....	300 00	30 00				30 00
Wood Ridge, .....	102 00	5 00				5 00
Totals, .....	\$2495 00	\$1919 23	\$167 65	\$17 14		\$2104 02

## SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.						
Allentown, . . . . .		\$65 00				\$65 00
Astury Park, 1st, . . . . .		68 90				68 90
Atlantic Highlands, . . . . .		49 26				49 26
Barneget and Forked River, . . . . .	\$225 00	14 10				14 10
Belmar, . . . . .	165 00	6 00				6 00
Beverly, . . . . .		20 00				20 00
Bordentown, . . . . .		77 20	\$2 00	\$3 00		82 20
Burlington, . . . . .		30 00				30 00
Columbus, 1st, . . . . .		31 93				31 93
Cranbury, 1st, . . . . .		10 40				10 40
" 2d, . . . . .		131 76				131 76
Cream Ridge, . . . . .		69 00				69 00
Delanco, . . . . .		10 00				10 00
Englishtown, . . . . .		23 14				23 14
Farmingdale, and Oak Glen, . . . . .		20 00				20 00
Freehold, 1st, . . . . .	230 00	16 95				16 95
Hightstown, . . . . .		92 88				92 88
Holmanville and Lakehurst, . . . . .		42 72	15 28			58 00
Jacksonville and Providence, . . . . .	240 00	5 72				5 72
Jamesburg, . . . . .	155 00	21 00				21 00
Keyport, . . . . .		10 00				10 00
Lakewood, 1st, . . . . .	36 00	16 12				16 12
" Hope, . . . . .		120 40				120 40
Long Branch, . . . . .		10 60				10 60
Manalapan, . . . . .		76 64	3 55			80 19
Manasquan, . . . . .		11 96				11 96
Matawan, . . . . .		40 00				40 00
Moorestown, . . . . .		22 00				22 00
Mt. Holly, . . . . .		43 42				43 42
New Gretna, . . . . .		60 76				60 76
Oceanic, . . . . .		33 25				33 25
Perrineville, . . . . .	250 00	28 36	40 00			68 36
Plattsburg, . . . . .		14 60				14 60
Plumstead (New Egypt), . . . . .	150 00	29 10				29 10
Point Pleasant, . . . . .		27 56				27 56
Red Bank, . . . . .		8 00				8 00
Riverton, Calvary, . . . . .		8 40				8 40
Sayreville, German, . . . . .		30 24				30 24
Shrewsbury, 1st, . . . . .		56 42				56 42
South Amboy, . . . . .	125 00	43 78				43 78
South River, German, . . . . .		28 60				28 60
South River, Hungarian, . . . . .		40 00				40 00
Tennent, . . . . .		10 30				10 30
Toms River, . . . . .	150 00	21 00				21 00
Tuckerton, . . . . .	300 00					
West Mantoloking, . . . . .	523 00	41 85				41 85
Yardville, . . . . .		75 00				75 00
Supplies, . . . . .		32 37				32 37
		20 00				20 00
		187 50	4 68			4 68
		182 00				182 00
		300 00				300 00
Totals, . . . . .	\$3513 50	\$1595 47	\$60 83	\$3 00		\$1759 30

## SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.						
Berkshire Valley, .....		\$7 10				\$7 10
Mine Hill, and		7 10				7 10
Luxemburg, .....	\$425 00	4 80				4 80
Boonton, 1st, .....		60 67	\$12 04			72 71
Chatham, .....		73 00				73 00
Chester, .....		18 57				18 57
Dover Memorial, .....		122 45	50 00			172 45
East Orange, 1st, .....		285 00				285 00
"    Elmwood, .....		22 06				22 06
"    Arlington Avenue, .....		59 46				59 46
"    Bethel, .....		86 02				86 02
"    Brick, .....		200 00				200 00
Fairmount, .....	200 00	16 00				16 00
Flanders, .....		10 00				10 00
German Valley, .....		5 00				5 00
Hanover, .....		88 90				88 90
Madison, .....		147 98				147 98
Mendham, .....		93 17				93 17
Morris Plains, .....		22 00				22 00
Morristown, 1st, .....		277 33				277 33
"    South Street, .....		264 36				264 36
"    Italian, .....	75 00					
Mt. Freedom, .....		6 00				6 00
Mt. Olive, .....	150 00	18 00				18 00
Myersville, German, .....		5 00				5 00
New Providence, .....		12 00				12 00
New Vernon, .....		10 47				10 47
Orange, 1st, .....		220 00				220 00
"    Central, .....		300 00				300 00
"    German, 1st, .....		10 00	10 00			20 00
"    Hillside, .....		150 00				150 00
"    St. Cloud, .....		50 34				50 34
Orange Valley, German, .....		13 75				13 75
Parsippany, .....		33 60				33 60
Pleasantdale, German, .....		5 00				5 00
Pleasant Grove, .....		7 42				7 42
Rockaway, .....		43 20				43 20
Schooley's Mountain, .....		4 00				4 00
South Orange, 1st, .....		105 30				105 30
"    Trinity, .....		54 05				54 05
Stirling, .....	150 00	10 00				10 00
Succasunna, .....		30 42				30 42
Summit, Central, .....		137 47				137 47
"    North Chapel, .....	200 00					
Whippany, .....		10 00				10 00
Wyoming, .....		19 00				19 00
Wharton, Hungarian, .....	475 50	3 00				3 00
Mr. Richard H. Allen, .....					\$100 00	100 00
Totals, .....	\$1675 50	\$3128 99	\$72 04		\$100 00	\$3301 03



## SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.						
Arlington, .....						
Bloomfield, 1st, .....		\$250 00				\$250 00
" German, .....						
" Westminster, .....		205 48				205 48
Caldwell, 1st, .....						
Kearney, Knox, .....						
Montclair, 1st, .....		56 38				56 38
" Grace, .....		9 40				9 40
" Trinity, .....		70 00				70 00
" Italian, .....	\$100 00					
Newark, 1st, .....		350 00				350 00
" 2d, .....		130 00				130 00
" 3d, .....		235 00				235 00
" 6th, .....		10 00				10 00
" Elizabeth Avenue, .....						
" German, 1st, .....		20 00				20 00
" " 2d, .....						
" " 3d, .....		20 00				20 00
" Italian, 1st, .....	677 50					
" Bethany, .....		5 00				5 00
" Calvary, .....		15 00				15 00
" Central, .....			\$1 00			1 00
" Clinton Ave., .....		12 06				12 06
" Fewsmith Memorial, .....		25 00				25 00
" Fifth Avenue, .....		31 48				31 48
" Forest Hill, .....						
" High Street, .....		75 11				75 11
" Immanuel German, .....	200 00	18 00				18 00
" Manhattan Park, .....	300 00	15 00				15 00
" Memorial, .....		17 70				17 70
" Park, .....						
" Plane Street, .....	200 00	22 50				22 50
" Roseville, .....		250 00				250 00
" South Park, .....		226 03				226 03
" Wickliffe, .....		7 30				7 30
" West, .....	250 00					
Roseland, .....						
Vailsburg, .....	50 00	13 00				13 00
Verona, .....	200 00	13 05				13 05
Special Work, .....	450 00				\$5 00	5 00
Mrs. Frank G. Mason, .....						
Totals, .....	\$2427 50	\$2102 49	\$1 00		\$5 00	\$2108 49
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.						
Bound Brook, .....		\$77 00	\$3 00			\$80 00
Dayton, .....		60 00				60 00
Dutch Neck, .....		60 00				60 00
Ewing, .....		26 00				26 00
Flemington, .....		160 00				160 00
Frenchtown, .....		40 00				40 00
Hamilton Square, .....		80 00				80 00
Holland, .....		4 50				4 50
Hopewell, .....		30 00	14 17			44 17
Kingston, .....		36 50	3 50	\$2 00		42 00
Kingwood, .....	\$50 00	5 00				5 00



SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK—(Con.)						
Lambertville, .....		150 00				150 00
Lawrenceville, .....		80 00				80 00
Milford, .....		50 05				50 05
Mt. Airy, Amwell, 2d, .....		5 00				5 00
Mt. Pleasant, Alexandria, 1st, .....		14 00				14 00
New Brunswick, 1st, .....		160 00				160 00
" " 2d, .....	125 00	15 00				15 00
" " Hungarian, 1st, .....	300 00					
Pennington, .....		54 00				54 00
Princeton, 1st, .....		392 50				392 50
" 2d, .....		38 00	9 00	3 75		50 75
" Witherspoon Street, .....	100 00	16 00				16 00
" Italian, .....	114 00					
Reaville, Amwell, 1st, .....		8 28				8 28
Ringoes, Amwell United, 1st, .....		3 00				3 00
" Kirkpatrick Memorial, .....		14 00				14 00
Stockton, .....	187 50	22 00				22 00
Titusville, .....	91 67	35 00				35 00
Trenton, 1st, .....		301 08	31 64			332 72
" 2d, .....		6 00	11 08	22 92		40 00
" 3d, .....		193 88	72 24			266 12
" 4th, .....		110 24		3 00		122 24
" 5th, .....		15 20				15 20
" Bethany, .....		60 00				60 00
" East Trenton, .....		17 50	9 52	13 00		40 02
" Prospect Street, .....		247 00	3 00			250 00
" " Brookville, .....						
" Walnut Avenue, .....	200 00	25 00				25 00
" Italian, .....	840 00	15 00				15 00
Mrs. Caleb S. Green, .....					\$150 00	150 00
Rev. J. B. Kugler, .....					5 00	5 00
Totals, .....	\$2008 17	\$2635 73	\$157 15	\$44 67	\$155 00	\$2992 55
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.						
Andover, .....		\$3 50				\$3 50
Asbury, .....		10 00				10 00
Beattystown and 2d Mansfield, .....	\$150 00	7 00				7 00
Beermerville, .....		9 00				9 00
Belvidere, 1st, .....		16 00				16 00
" 2d, .....		58 00				58 00
Blairstown, .....		10 00				10 00
Bloomsbury, .....		92 19	\$32 81			125 00
Branchville, .....		33 00				33 00
Danville, .....		15 35				15 35
Deckertown, .....	166 67	20 00				20 00
Delaware, .....		35 00				35 00
Franklin Furnace, .....		26 00				26 00
Greenwich, .....		10 00				10 00
Hackettstown, .....		20 00				20 00
Hamburg, .....		100 00				100 00
Harmony, .....		9 00				9 00
Knowlton, .....		22 00				22 00
Lafayette, .....	200 00	19 25				19 25

## SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRES. OF NEWTON—(Con.)						
Marksboro, .....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Musconetcong Valley, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newton, 1st, .....	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....	150 00
North Hardyston, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oxford, 1st, .....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00
" 2d, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phillipsburg, 1st, .....	.....	33 80	.....	.....	.....	33 80
" Westminister, .....	.....	13 00	5 17	.....	.....	18 17
Sparta, .....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Stanhope, .....	100 00	17 27	.....	.....	.....	17 27
Stewartsville, .....	.....	45 27	.....	.....	.....	45 27
Stillwater, .....	200 00	12 65	.....	.....	.....	12 65
Wantage, 1st, .....	.....	5 25	.....	5 25	.....	5 25
Washington, .....	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	100 00
Yellow Frame, .....	200 00	13 20	.....	.....	.....	13 20
Totals, .....	\$1016 67	\$960 73	\$37 98	.....	.....	\$998 71
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.						
Absecon and Leeds Point, .....	\$226 25	\$10 00	.....	.....	.....	\$10 00
Atco, .....	180 00	15 34	.....	.....	.....	7 00
Atlantic City, 1st, .....	.....	75 00	\$16 04	.....	.....	15 34
" " German, .....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	91 04
" " Olivet, .....	.....	59 02	.....	.....	.....	3 00
" " Chelsea, .....	180 00	14 25	.....	.....	.....	59 02
" " Westminister, .....	125 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	14 25
Audubon, Logan Memorial, .....	75 00	20 80	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Berlin, .....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	20 80
Billingsport, and Swedesboro, .....	100 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00
Blackwood, 1st, .....	.....	43 16	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Bridgeton, 1st, .....	.....	125 00	.....	.....	.....	29 67
" 2d, .....	.....	129 60	.....	.....	.....	43 16
" 4th, .....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	125 00
" Irving Avenue, .....	200 00	18 20	.....	.....	.....	129 60
" West, .....	.....	76 00	12 00	.....	.....	5 00
Bunker Hill, and Glassboro, .....	142 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....	18 20
Camden, 1st, .....	.....	146 90	.....	.....	.....	88 00
" 2d, .....	.....	115 58	.....	.....	.....	10 00
" 3d, .....	.....	4 25	.....	.....	.....	10 00
" Calvary, .....	.....	29 25	.....	.....	.....	146 90
" Woodland Avenue, .....	134 62	13 00	.....	.....	.....	115 58
" 4th, .....	265 00	12 22	.....	.....	.....	4 25
" Grace, .....	.....	29 64	.....	.....	.....	29 25
Cape May City, .....	.....	36 38	66 76	.....	.....	13 00
Cedarville, 1st, .....	.....	28 20	.....	.....	.....	12 22
" Osborn Memorial, .....	.....	7 25	.....	.....	.....	29 64
Clayton, .....	.....	45 00	.....	\$5 00	.....	103 14
Cold Spring, .....	.....	21 00	.....	.....	.....	28 20
Collingswood, .....	275 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	7 25
Daretown, Pittsgrove, .....	.....	32 53	5 00	.....	.....	50 00
Deerfield, .....	.....	52 00	.....	.....	.....	21 00
Elmer, .....	.....	18 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Elwood, Brainerd, .....	250 00	15 60	.....	.....	.....	37 53
						52 00
						18 00
						15 60

## SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY—(Con.)						
Fairfield, Fairton, .....			45 00			45 00
Gloucester City, .....						5 50
Green Creek and Holly Beach, .....	200 00	15 86				15 86
Greenwich, .....		26 35				26 35
Haddonfield, 1st, .....		112 65				112 65
Haddon Heights, .....	170 00	15 00				15 00
Hammonton, 1st, .....		12 50				12 50
Italian, .....		5 00				5 00
Janvier, .....		7 25				7 25
Jericho, .....	150 00	10 40				10 40
Laurel Springs, St. Paul's, .....	245 50	15 00				15 00
Mays Landing, .....		21 00				21 00
Merchantville, .....		30 00				30 00
Millville, .....		80 00				80 00
Ocean City, 1st, .....		22 10				22 10
Pleasantville, .....						
Salem, 1st, .....		65 00	20 89	14 00		99 89
Tuckahoe, .....		7 00				7 00
Vineland, .....		25 00	10 00			35 00
Italian, .....		10 00				10 00
Waterford, .....		6 74				6 74
Wenonah, Memorial, .....		68 88	25 00	10 00		103 88
Williamstown, .....		27 17	5 00			32 17
Woodbury, .....		35 00	10 00			45 00
Woodstown, .....		15 00	2 00			17 00
Supplies, .....	500 00					
Presbyterial Missionary, .....	316 37					
Italian Work, .....	400 00					
Rev. Geo. L. Smith, .....					\$5 00	5 00
Mr. T. W. Synnott, .....					5 98	5 98
Totals, .....	\$4135 24	\$1961 74	\$217 69	\$29 00	\$10 98	\$2214 41

## SCHEDULE 2.

*Being a summary of columns 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Schedule 1.*

PRESBYTERIES.	Contributions from congre- gations.	Contributions from Sabbath- schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from indi- viduals.	Total contri- butions.
Corisco, .....					
Elizabeth, .....	\$2,620 89	\$347 78	\$73 65	\$1,415 00	\$4,457 32
Jersey City, .....	1,919 23	167 65	17 14		2,104 02
Monmouth, .....	1,695 47	60 83	3 00		1,759 30
Morris & Orange, ....	3,128 99	72 04		100 00	3,301 03
Newark, .....	2,102 49	1 00		5 00	2,108 49
New Brunswick, ....	2,635 73	157 15	44 67	155 00	2,992 55
Newton, .....	960 73	37 98			998 71
West Jersey, .....	1,961 74	217 69	29 00	10 98	2,214 41
Totals, .....	\$17,025 27	\$1,062 12	\$167 46	\$1,680 98	\$19,935 83

## SCHEDULE 3.

*Showing the amounts which the respective Presbyteries were asked to contribute, the amounts received, and the excess or deficiency.*

PRESBYTERIES.	Amounts asked for.	Amounts received.	Excess.	Deficiency.
Corisco, .....				
Elizabeth, .....	\$3,023 40	\$3,057 32	\$33 92	
Jersey City, .....	2,083 12	2,104 02	20 90	
Monmouth, .....	1,753 70	1,759 30	5 60	
Morris & Orange, .....	3,221 40	3,301 03	79 63	
Newark, .....	3,604 50	2,108 49		\$1,496 01
New Brunswick, .....	2,816 70	2,992 55	175 85	
Newton, .....	1,277 54	998 71		278 83
West Jersey, .....	2,195 44	2,214 41	18 97	
	\$19,975 80	\$18,535 83	\$334 87	\$1,774 84
	18,535 83			334 87
	\$1,439 97			\$1,439 97

## SCHEDULE 4.

*Showing the appropriations to the respective Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services therein, and the unused balances.*

PRESBYTERIES.	Appropriations.	Amounts Paid.	Unused Balances.
Corisco, .....			
Elizabeth, .....	\$1,950 00	\$1,780 00	\$170 00
Jersey City, .....	2,750 00	2,495 00	255 00
Monmouth, .....	3,500 00	3,513 50	* 50
Morris & Orange, .....	1,800 00	1,675 50	124 50
Newark, .....	1,950 00	1,907 50	42 50
New Brunswick, .....	2,000 00	1,945 67	54 33
Newton, .....	1,100 00	1,016 67	83 33
West Jersey, .....	4,200 00	4,135 24	64 76
Administration, .....	500 00	302 27	197 73
	\$19,750 00	\$18,771 35	\$992 15
	18,771 35		
	\$978 65		
	* 13 50		
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## V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee has gleaned from the Board's report to General Assembly the following facts regarding the work of the year ending April 1st, 1906:

The general tone of the report is cheerful, not least so the fact that the year closed with all obligations met and a balance in the treasury of \$2,411.06. This is especially gratifying in view of the extension of the work during the year. A special expenditure of \$40,840.97 for new buildings in Cuba, Porto Rico and the West is one of the items of the report. The total receipts of the Board were \$911,793, the largest for current work in the history of the Board. In spite of this fact the balance reported in 1905 was drawn upon for \$1,596.34 to meet the heavy expenses of the year.

There are under the care of the Board 1,269 missionaries, working in 36 States and Territories, Cuba, Porto Rico and the Canal Zone. They preach the Gospel in more languages than were represented at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost. There are also 555 missionary teachers. 1,465 churches were aided during the year, 76 became self-supporting and 87 new churches were organized. There were added to our Home Mission Churches on confession of faith 10,735 and on certificate 4,898. The Woman's Board had also the most successful year in its history. The Department of Church and Labor has gained in influence and is rapidly winning the confidence of the workingmen, as well as of the Church. Other denominations are considering the establishment of a similar work, a fact which not only commends the wisdom of our undertaking, but presents to us a bright prospect for the future of our work among the men and women whom we need and who need us.

The Board asked last year for an increase of 15 per cent. in the offerings of the churches, and received an increase of 3½ per cent. The request for the full 15 per cent. increase is renewed this year.

Turning from the general work of the Board to our own Synod, we find New Jersey the third in congregational offerings, being surpassed only by the large and wealthy Synods of New York and Pennsylvania. Our congregational offerings to the Board, in addition to the large sum expended on Home Mission work within the bounds of our Synod, were \$30,777.11, a little more than 42½ cents per communicant. This is an increase over last year of \$1,187.43. The contributions of the Sunday-schools were \$3,048.50, a decrease as compared with 1905 of \$145.03. The total receipts through the Woman's Board were \$29,114.71.

Receipts from legacies within the bounds of the Synod were \$13,029.63, a decrease of \$10,289.41. We hope this decrease is due to a lower death rate among our generous givers, and not to diminished interest in the work of the Board.

It is gratifying to find that every Presbytery in our Synod, including Corisco, has contributed to the work of the Board, and that practically every church has given an offering for that work. The few exceptions are churches either composed of negroes, or foreigners, or churches organized since the last meeting of Synod. The year's record is an encouraging one and prophetic of growing interest in the evangelization of our land.

NELSON B. CHESTER,  
*Chairman.*



# VI.—TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

That God has blessed the efforts put forth by the women of the Synodical Society for the advancement of His Kingdom, we have abundant evidence in the report of the year's work.

## ORGANIZATION.

The eight Presbyterial Societies number 219 Women's Auxiliaries, with a membership of over 10,000. Two hundred and fifty Christian Endeavor Societies, 114 Junior Christian Endeavor Societies, 87 Bands, enrolling 14,000 young people.

There are also 69 contributing Sunday-schools.

## THE FINANCES.

<i>Presbyteries</i>	<i>Home Missions.</i>	<i>Money Expended on Boxes.</i>
Elizabeth, .....	\$6,844 58	\$707 84
Jersey City, .....	2,132 30	613 58
Monmouth, .....	2,114 40	219 29
Morris and Orange, .....	6,134 08	2,905 33
Newark, .....	2,728 74	1,037 31
New Brunswick, .....	2,477 21	673 16
Newton, .....	1,502 67	214 41
West Jersey, .....	1,533 89	548 51

The total amount paid to the Woman's Board of Home Missions during the year dating from March, 1905, to March, 1906, is \$29,114.71. Of this total \$2,290.61 was received for Freedmen.

Fifty-nine scholarships and nineteen teachers' salaries are maintained, either in part or in whole, by the several Presbyteries.

During the past two years the great need of a girls' dormitory, in connection with the New Jersey Academy, at Logan, Utah, has been urged upon the local societies by the Synodical and Presbyterial officers. This being the work specially recommended by the Woman's Board of Home Missions for New Jersey Synodical Society to do, through the Presbyterial Societies, strenuous efforts have been made to raise as an extra, aside from the regular pledged work of the different auxiliaries, the \$6,000 needed for the Building Fund. New Jersey has accomplished this task, the amount having been raised.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE PRESBYTERIES.

*Elizabeth Presbytery* called together the officers of the local societies for prayer and conference. By this interchange of thought many difficulties were overcome, and the gathering together proved most help-



ful, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

*Jersey City Presbytery* closed the year with a hymn of thanksgiving for the favor of God, as shown in a deeper spiritual interest in their midst, also in their renewed zeal for the work of the Master. Advance along all lines of work is shown.

*Monmouth Presbytery*.—There is manifested throughout this Presbytery a greater appreciation of the opportunities to work for Home Missions. A larger number of subscriptions to the Home Mission monthly is noted; enlarged knowledge has increased interest. A steady growth marks the work of this Presbytery.

*Morris and Orange Presbytery* at its last annual meeting celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. The five societies who organized into the Presbyterian Society are still actively engaged in Home Mission work. They have multiplied into an organization with forty-one auxiliaries; a membership of 1,911. During the twenty-five years the sum of \$217,614.91 has been contributed to Home Missions. An inspiring record.

*Newark Presbytery*, with renewed courage, is making plans for a forward movement during the year. The work is being brought into line with an earnestness of purpose which, with God's blessing, cannot fail to yield an abundant harvest.

*New Brunswick Presbytery*.—The work of the Spirit of God is manifested throughout this Presbytery, as shown in more individual interest in the work for Home Missions. The logical result has been shown in increased contributions, one of the sure evidences of growth.

*Newton Presbytery*. — The Secretary feels that a comprehensive knowledge of missionary work is necessary to kindle the love of giving in the hearts of the workers, and recommends the forcible presentation of the needs of the objects to which the local Societies are asked to contribute.

*West Jersey* reports a year's work in which the great commandments, "Thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind," "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," have been the keynote. Knit together by the striving to obtain the promised blessing, a more vigorous spiritual life has been given to this organization.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

We regret that we cannot report a decided advancement in the Presbyteries along all lines of work. In spite of the fact that in almost all Presbyteries there has been a gain in the number of organizations, the amount of contributions is less than the previous year. It is not possible to give the number of missionary study classes, only five have reported.

#### LITERATURE.

The Secretary reports that there are 2,309 subscriptions to the Home Mission Monthly in the several Presbyteries, 1,263 subscriptions to Over Sea and Land.

## FREEDMEN.

New Jersey has made a forward movement this year in the work for Freedmen. Contributions have been larger. A request from Harbison College for household linen, blankets, etc., met with a generous response. One hundred and forty-six societies, sixteen Sunday-schools and thirty-eight Young People's Societies are interested in the work.

We would recommend to the Presbyterian officers that they urge upon the local societies the great need of the study of Home Missions, as found in the Home Mission Monthly, the Prayer Calendar, also the leaflets and books which have been published on mission fields. The Synodical Society of Home Missions of New Jersey is a great organization, composed of eight Presbyterian Societies, whose life is alone justified by practical and adequate accomplishment of its aim.

Any weakness or failure on the part of one of the eight members of its body cripples its full usefulness.

It is not possible through figures alone to adequately express the spirit and purpose of a missionary organization, though they are in a measure indicative. Figures do not reveal the character of the motives which prompted gifts to the treasury of God for the advancement of His Kingdom. He who looketh upon the heart alone knoweth. When the Master, standing in the temple at Jerusalem, beheld the bringing of gifts, "And He looked up, and saw the rich men that were casting their gifts into the treasury, and He saw a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites. And He said, Of a truth I say unto you, this poor widow cast in more than they all, for all these did of their superfluity cast in unto the gifts, but she of her want did cast in all the living that she had."

We trust our gifts have been prompted by the same spirit of love to God and zeal for His Kingdom which animated the breast of this poor widow, whose action won for her the priceless commendation of Jesus. Her gift was holy in the sight of God. A sweet savor of love, unmeasurably precious and prolific of blessings both to the giver and the Kingdom.

MRS. E. C. MILES,

*Corresponding Secretary.*

VII.—TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey was held in the First Presbyterian Church, East Orange, October 11th, 1906, at 1:30 P. M., the President, Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, in the chair.

A hymn was sung, "Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayer," and the audience joined in a responsive Scripture reading, "Give Ear, O Shepherd of Israel." Mrs. J. H. Owens led in prayer.

The roll-call showed representatives present from the eight Presbyteries.

The report of the Contingent Fund was given by Mrs. J. H. Manning, showing a balance in the treasury of \$54.89, and was accepted.

The report of the Freedmen's Department was read by Mrs. David Harvey and was accepted.

The report of Young People's Work was read by Miss Mary M. Harding, and showed a gain in the number of organizations and was accepted.

The report of the Secretary of Literature was given by Mrs. Wilbur La Roe, and pleaded for a larger number of subscriptions to the missionary magazines as leading to a diffusion of knowledge, and this to an increase in interest, enthusiasm and gifts. This report was accepted.

The report of the year's work was given by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Miles, and was, on motion, accepted and a copy ordered sent to the Synod of New Jersey, together with the minutes of this meeting.

The President, Mrs. Honeyman, spoke of prospective work for the coming year. The Auxiliaries are asked to contribute for Freedmen's work, \$1,600 towards teachers' salaries in Harbison College and to continue the scholarships already assumed there. The same sums are asked as for several years past, for the following objects: Asheville Farm School, \$1,000; for work in Alaska, \$500; for Good Will Mission, South Dakota, \$500; for ten scholarships in Utah, \$750.

As new work, we are asked for \$2,500 for the furnishing and lighting of the new buildings, and for the heating of both buildings at Logan, Utah. Mrs. Honeyman spoke of the General Assembly's recommendation that in the Sunday-schools on November 25th the subject of Home Missions be presented, and contributions asked for general work among Indians. Last year only 35 Sunday-schools in New Jersey acted upon this recommendation.

A message was given from each one of the eight Presbyterian Societies, five of the Presbyterian Presidents speaking, all testifying to the interest of the Auxiliaries in raising the funds for the building of the New Jersey Academy, at Logan, Utah, and reporting favorably on the

project of contributing further towards the furnishing, lighting and heating of this new building.

An offering was taken, amounting to \$39.03.

The Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey, Rev. Samuel McLanahan, gave an address on "Immigration," emphasizing the immense number of foreigners pouring into New Jersey, their readiness to receive those who can talk to them of the Gospel in their own language, and the proposal to train both men and women Bible workers for this work in the Seminary at Bloomfield.

Mrs. Honeyman asked if some individuals might not wish to support scholarships in Bloomfield for this work.

Mr. Ernest Joseph McAfee, Associate Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, gave an address on some of the problems now confronting the Church in our country.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported as follows: The First Church of Camden sends a cordial invitation to the Home and Foreign Synodical Missionary Societies to meet with them in October, 1907. This invitation was, on motion, accepted.

Mrs. Kerr took the chair. The report of the Nominating Committee, was presented by Mrs. Campbell and officers were elected, as follows:

*President*—MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, Plainfield.

*Vice-Presidents*—MRS. J. H. OWENS, Paterson.

MRS. HARVEY C. OLIN, East Orange.

MRS. J. R. GIBSON, Newark.

MRS. D. C. BLAIR, Belvidere.

MRS. S. B. KETCHAM, Pennington.

MRS. H. L. ZANDT, Jamesburg.

MRS. M. J. PAULDING, Daretown.

MRS. A. S. CRANE, Elizabeth.

*Corresponding Secretary*—MRS. E. C. MILES, Roselle.

*Recording Secretary*—MISS E. D. PAXTON, Princeton.

*Secretary of Literature*—MRS. WILBUR LA ROE, Perth Amboy.

*Secretary of Young People's Work*—MISS MARY M. HARDING, Bridgeton.

*Secretary for Freedmen*—MRS. DAVID HARVEY, Asbury Park.

*Treasurer of Contingent Fund*—MRS. J. H. MANNING, Plainfield.

## SYNODICAL COMMITTEES.

### PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.

Mrs. J. F. Pingry, Elizabeth.

Mrs. E. C. Miles, Roselle.

Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.

Mrs. J. M. McNulty, Woodbridge.

Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield.

Miss M. Josephine Petrie, Plainfield.

Miss M. J. Peck, Elizabeth.

## PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.

Miss L. C. Pudney, Passaic.  
Mrs. Charles D. Shaw, Paterson.  
Mrs. William Nichols, Jersey City.  
Mrs. Alexander Campbell, Jersey City.  
Mrs. William Nelson, Paterson.

## PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.

Mrs. L. R. Somers, Burlington.  
Mrs. David Kirkpatrick, Jamesburg.  
Mrs. J. N. Husted, Freehold.

## PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison.  
Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Morristown.  
Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown.  
Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.  
Mrs. Richard Allen, Chatham.

## PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.

Mrs. James R. Gibson, Newark.  
Mrs. Paul Babcock, Montclair.  
Mrs. J. P. Jones, Bloomfield.  
Mrs. Isaac Marshall, Newark.  
Mrs. John Maxwell, Montclair.

## PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. S. B. Ketcham, Pennington.  
Mrs. Charles Brearley, Trenton.  
Mrs. Elmer E. Green, Trenton.  
Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.  
Miss E. D. Paxton, Princeton.

## PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.

Miss Isabel Stewart, Washington.  
Miss Frances McMurtrie, Newton.  
Mrs. William Morrow, Belvidere.  
Mrs. William Thomson, Stewartsville.

## PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.

Mrs. M. J. Paulding, Daretown.  
Mrs. John M. Moore, Clayton.  
Miss S. M. Sheppard, Greenwich.  
Miss Alice Richman, Daretown.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Mrs. Kerr, as follows, and was accepted:

*Resolved*, That the members of this Synodical Society express their most sincere thanks to the various churches that have so kindly and hospitably received and entertained us on this day of privilege; also to those who have led us in songs of praise, and to her who has delighted our ears with her sweet solo, to the speakers who have instructed us and inspired us with a new zeal for the work. We would also record our appreciation of Mrs. Stevenson's years of faithful service, her untiring devotion and courtesy in the work; also,

*Resolved*, That this Society express their sympathy with the President of this Church Society in her hours of illness, with a hope of her speedy recovery.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

ELIZABETH D. PAXTON,

*Recording Secretary.*



## VIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We are met in the midst of historical events bearing upon world-wide evangelization that ought to touch and thrill our hearts and spur us on to greater things than any yet essayed.

On last Wednesday, at Williamstown, Mass., was celebrated the centennial of the Haystack Meeting, which we are accustomed to reckon as marking the beginning of the Foreign Missionary movement in America. A century is a short time in the life of a nation. But we are to remember that while the Haystack Meeting was held in 1806, the American Board, which grew out of it, was not formed until 1810, and Judson and Newell, the first American missionaries to foreign lands, did not sail until 1812. So that really we are six years short of the centennial of the beginning of American missions. Nor were our brethren of Great Britain much ahead of us, Carey having gone to India in 1792, and Morrison not starting for China until 1807.

As in all great and world-wide movements, the progress made in the early days was very slow. It is only in the last quarter of a century, we may say, the Church has really begun to reap of the fruit of three-quarters of a century of sowing. And it does seem she has so begun to reap. Last year our own Church, for example, received an accession in foreign fields of 10,000 members, the largest number in the history of its missions, while its sister denominations also had large accessions. However, all know that the additions, as great as they are, represent a small portion of the work done and the gain made. The mass of heathendom is more and more being leavened with the influences of the gospel. That we may see the trend of things, we will take the time to glance briefly at four or five of the mission fields.

There is India, where the work is oldest. There has been a great religious awakening in India, Burma and Assam. Bishop Robinson says he is "constrained to declare that he has witnessed more striking manifestations of the transforming power of the Divine Spirit during the past six or seven months than in his whole thirty-one years' service in India." A native prince, the Raja of Chamba, recently gave a church to the work, the building being of granite and the roof, pulpit and pews of cedar. A writer, who signs himself "A Hindu," in a long letter to a Calcutta native newspaper, says: "The Bengalis have raised a general cry to obtain something by means of what they call the Swadeshi Movement, and it is not to be denied that all educated India is echoing behind them. \* \* \* What are these men (really) crying for? My answer is that they are crying for Christianity. My countrymen will probably laugh at this idea, but no amount of laughing can alter the rapid progress of the world, and truth cannot be concealed any longer. It must be admitted that young India has already been Christianized in many senses. \* \* \* It is only the want of moral courage to cut

off the deep-rooted social customs of many centuries that keeps the educated Hindu under the shadow of Hinduism. Christianity may be false, and Hinduism may be true, but India is rapidly moving on to the path of Christianity, and no human power can resist fate." This is the candid judgment of a learned and observant Hindu as touching the trend of things in India.

Coming back west to Africa, and pausing for a moment in Uganda, how the work continues to move there. In a series of eight days' services, held in the Cathedral Church at Mengo, the morning attendance averaged 4,000, and the afternoon gathering was not much behind it. The aggregate attendance for the week is put at 50,000. These were the largest gatherings of Baganda that have ever come together for any purpose, and there were many professions of conversion and resolutions to make a new start in the spiritual life. Bishop Hannington was murdered in Uganda in 1885, by order of King Mwanga. The order was carried into execution by a chief named Luba, and one of the greatest victories of the work there is the baptism recently into the church of a son of Luba by a son of Bishop Hannington.

What is the outlook in Korea?

Fifteen years ago the whole Christian community in Korea was comprised of two congregations worshipping in the city of Seoul, and in connection with which there were some sixty baptised believers. In fifteen years these two congregations, it is estimated, have multiplied into fifteen hundred. Among these hardly a half a hundred have attained ecclesiastical organization, five or six hundred have received recognition from missionaries, and the remainder are of that large number where the wind-wafted seed fell and germinated and grew without any specially-qualified teacher, and where the people meet together from Sunday to Sunday to read and try to understand the Book. Missionaries tell us that those of the lowest and those of the highest rank, even to the very palace itself, have been coming these latter months in such numbers as never before to ask seriously after the way of life. You saw the statement of the way in which 300 people gathered at 7 in the morning at the railway station at Seoul to say good-bye to Rev. James S. Gale as he was leaving for his rest in this country. And we are told that in the company were a former governor of the city, the present secretary of the cabinet, a former chief of police, the chief of the survey department, the Emperor's nephew, a Mr. Ye Yi, the most famous of the scholars of the capital, Mr. Pak, a former secretary of legation in Washington, and now private secretary to the Emperor, and many others, representing every walk of life. Christianity has taken a wonderful hold upon Korea.

Let us turn now to Japan. Seven years ago the Mikado appointed a committee to travel abroad for the purpose of discovering the true religion, the one which should be deemed best to be embraced by the Japanese people. The work of this commission was not carried out, for the war with Russia intervened, and called attention away for the time to policies and measures made necessary by the crisis which was



thrust upon them. But now the Mikado has resumed this work, and the European governments have been notified to that effect. From the trend of affairs in this island kingdom of the east it would seem that many already are convinced as to what the true religion is. The work of evangelization has moved so rapidly that already the question has been raised, "Shall we send more missionaries to Japan?" And this not by the enemies of Foreign Missions, but by its friends. Already the Japanese Christian Church, embracing all the Presbyterian Churches and the Congregational Church, have taken action that is likely to take most of the churches and outstations from the fostering care of missions and put them under the direction of the Japanese Home Mission Societies of these respective denominations. And there is a growing sentiment among this proud, self-reliant people that the time has about come when Japan should no longer look to the Occident for the gospel, but that the Native Japanese Church should undertake the work of evangelizing the nation. There is danger that out of the present agitation may come a request for the Church of Japan to the missionary societies to withdraw their representatives. We say there is *danger* of this, for obviously the Japanese are not strong enough financially or spiritually to take up and carry on this great work. And yet this disposition is indicative of the strength of the Japanese Church as judged by Japanese themselves.

Christianity undoubtedly has made a very favorable impression upon the nation at large, as the following incidents indicate:

On the 28th of last May General Terauchi, the minister of war, sent a letter to Yoichi Honda, Esq., president of the National Committee of Y. M. C. A., heartily thanking him for the "beneficent work" his committee had done during the war. In the course of the letter he says: "I am fully assured that the recipients of all this generous service are filled with deep and inexpressible gratitude." The war gave a great opportunity for showing the self-sacrificing, loving spirit of the Christian religion and the Church of Jesus Christ as represented by the Y. M. C. A., and those associated with it seized and used the opportunity in a way that is bound to tell mightily for Christ and His kingdom.

The editor of a large Japanese daily, himself a non-Christian, pays this tribute to Christianity: "Look all over Japan. To-day more than 40,000,000 have a higher standard of morality than they have ever known. Our ideas of loyalty and obedience are higher than ever, and we inquire the cause of this great moral advance. We can find it in nothing else than in the religion of Jesus Christ."

Dr. Gulick of the Doshisha, speaking in London, lately quoted Marquis Ito and other Japanese statesmen as confessing the debt of the country not only to western civilization, but to Christianity. We are told that not a few even of the Japanese predict that the Christian religion will be adopted as the state religion, if only to promote national advance. Says a Japanese writer: "We have three religions in Japan, Buddhism, Shintoism and Christianity. Shintoism consists chiefly in

ancestral worship, and lives in the past. Buddhism looks only to the future. But neither of them has anything to do with the present. Christianity is an up-to-date religion; it is intensely concerned with the present, while at the same time it embraces the past and hopefully looks forward to the future."

Turning to China, in many respects just now the most interesting field of all, on account of limitation of time, we can only glimpse it.

China, the giant who has been asleep for centuries, has awakened, and is beginning to put on her strength. Dr. J. Walter Lowrie, on his recent return to China, wrote home to his friends that "more has happened in China during the last two years than had happened throughout the previous one thousand years." Judging from the reports that come up from all quarters, everything in that great empire seems to have been caught in a whirl of thought, of unsettlement, of change and of improvement.

It seems that the opium traffic is to be put under the ban of the law. On the 30th of last May the British Parliament by a large majority passed a resolution "that the Indo-Chinese opium trade is morally indefensible, and requests his majesty's government to take such steps as may be necessary to bring it to a speedy close." Meeting this, Yuan Shih Kai, the most influential viceroy in China, has memorialized the throne to give instructions to viceroys and governors to put a stop to opium smoking among the official classes in the literati.

The time immemorial habit of foot-binding has been denounced by the throne, and vigorous war is being made upon the custom.

As one result of the visit of the Chinese imperial high commissioners to the United States and Great Britain during the last winter, they have recommended that there be brought about a gradual change to constitutional government, modeled more or less closely after the constitutions of western nations.

China is to have electric lights, telephones, a new universal postal system, great extension of railways, a new army, new mines, new currency, a new education, a new press, a new literature, a new constitution, a new civic life, and, it is to be hoped, a new religion, instead of the old outgrown ones. There were more baptised into the church in China last year than in the first eighty years of Protestant work, and we are told that throughout the greater part of the empire there are bodies of men who are feverishly desiring to connect themselves with the church, trying to conform to its usages, and in many ways giving encouragement to Christian teachers. Nor is this trend toward Christianity confined to the lower classes. The educated and the influential are showing a friendliness for it. Yuan Shih Kai, viceroy of the capital province, is out in a book, which is said to be a plea for the missionary, that is for kindness of feeling and action for him, and the viceroy of Manchuria has recently given 4000 taels, nearly \$3,000, for the Christian Hospital at Mukden. Christian colleges and schools are crowded with the sons of the upper classes, and several

acknowledged Christians have been called to influential positions under a Confucian government.

Oh, the world is moving, and especially in the Orient. Never was there a time when the words of Arthur Cleveland Coxe were more apposite than they are to-day—

“We are living, we are dwelling,  
In a grand and awful time;  
In an age, on ages telling,  
To be living is sublime.”

The question is, whether as a church we are going to begin to grasp the thought of how sublime a thing it is to live in this age, and to so bestir ourselves as to make this age tell for Christ on the ages yet unborn. You cannot scan the pages of your missionary magazines without seeing that the burden of the thought of those who are best acquainted with conditions in the east is, that now is the strategic moment for Japan and China.

Dr. S. T. Wilson, in that admirable report to the Des Moines Assembly, pointed with pride and gratulation to our 137 stations in foreign fields, 1,876 out-stations, 889 American missionaries and 2,606 native helpers, 444 churches, 63,480 communicants, 1,001 schools, with 35,512 pupils, 104 hospitals, with 445,683 patients, and to our eight great printing presses, with their annual output of 167,000,000 pages of Christian literature. And this is a great showing. But what was this in comparison with what we ought to be able to show? And to think that the Board had to go to this same Assembly with a debt of \$110,000. A debt of this magnitude in this year of grace, 1906, when the country is as prosperous as it is, and when the membership of our Church has the proportion of the country's wealth that it has! Five of the principal denominations of America are giving on an average only one cent a week per member. But few of them are giving twice as much. Our own Church has almost reached this standard, and while the aggregate gifts are larger than they were a few years ago, relatively they are smaller, if we consider the increase in wealth of Christians.

As a Synod we gave \$108,317, against \$102,769 the year before, a gain of \$5,548, making our per capita gift greater than that of any other Synod, about \$1.40 per member. And only twenty-two out of our 358 churches failed to give something to the cause. But can we not do better still? In this work, as Andrew Murray has pointed out, the pastor has to combat especially three things, the selfishness that is content with personal salvation, the worldliness that has no idea of sacrificing all or even anything for Christ, and the unbelief that measures its power to help by what it feels and sees, and not by what God and His Spirit can work. In conclusion, your Committee begs leave to submit the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod reiterate and urge its pastors to keep before their people that declaration of the General Assembly of 1847, which affirms “That the Presbyterian Church is a missionary society, the object of

which is to aid in the conversion of the world, and every member of this Church is a member for life of said society, and, in maintenance of his Christian honor, is bound to do all in his power for the accomplishment of this object."

2. That more stress be laid upon missionary instruction in our Sabbath-schools, and that greater efforts be made to secure general and generous offerings for this work from those schools.

3. That as the General Assembly has called for an increase of  $33\frac{1}{3}$  per cent. for this great work for the current year, as a Synod we urge the churches in our bounds, so far as practicable, to strive to make this noble advance.

4. That inasmuch as the Board has employed B. R. Brown to secure large gifts from individuals, this Synod express its approval of his appointment and commend him to those to whom the Lord has entrusted large means.

5. That having received and read with interest the admirable report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, the Synod express its heartiest approval of the continued zeal and efficiency of these noble co-workers and bid them God-speed in their efforts at sending the word to earth's remotest bounds.

JAMES W. ROGAN,

*Chairman.*

IX.—THE TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The following report is made of the work of the Presbyteries of New Jersey for the year 1905-1906.

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Auxiliaries.</i>	<i>Members.</i>	<i>Contributions.</i>
Elizabeth, .....	29	1,946	\$6,416 05
Jersey City, .....	23	1,000	2,778 79
Monmouth, .....	31	789	2,385 70
Morris and Orange, .....	41	1,911	7,128 00
Newark, .....	28	1,397	6,322 70
New Brunswick, .....	35	1,478	4,051 25
Newton, .....	26	847	1,263 40
West Jersey, .....	35	1,000	1,806 08

Eight Presbyteries, 248 Societies, with a gain of 14; membership, 10,368, with a gain of 650; contributions, \$32,151.97, a gain of \$722.39 since last year. Five Presbyteries have increased their gifts; three have decreased theirs.

Elizabeth Presbytery reports 8 mission study classes, illustrated missionary lectures given by their pastors, addresses by missionaries home on furlough and increased gifts for foreign work. A method adopted by one society seems worthy of mention and of example. Delegates are sent weekly to the Women's Foreign Missionary prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth avenue, resulting in increased, definite information and interest in foreign missions.

Morris and Orange celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary at its last Presbytery meeting. It began its existence with 5 societies, and now numbers 41. During the twenty-five years \$15,512.01 have been given to Foreign Missions, it now supports 8 missionaries on the field and has part in the work of 34 different stations in ten different countries.

The report of the Presbytery of Newark shows the widespread interest of its societies. Contributions sent to China, Korea, Africa, India to help in work for the insane, the blind, for lepers, for orphans, for the sick and the sinful: a broad outlook on the harvest field and their share in the reaping. One of its societies, the First Church of Newark, celebrated its seventieth birthday during the year, having been organized in 1835 auxiliary to the American Board of Commissioners. The making and packing of missionary boxes has been found a good method of increasing missionary interest.

A study of the reports of the secretaries seems to warrant the conclusion that increase in membership and contributions follows directly the specific and definite knowledge of missionary work. This would emphasize the use and value of mission-study classes as a direct means of increasing contributions to the work of foreign missions.



The Church on the foreign field has suffered much during the past year. The martyrdom of friends at Lien Chow last fall stirred our hearts to their depths. The famine in Japan following the heavy debt and sadness of the war, the floods in China in the early spring and the plague in India have brought strain and sorrow to our missionaries beyond the every-day living in heathen lands. The great revival in India and in parts of China and the awakening in Korea have brought joy and thankfulness on the field and at home.

The Presbyteries support missionaries as follows: Elizabeth, 7; Jersey City, 4; Monmouth, 3; Morris and Orange, 8; Newark, 12; Newton, 2; West Jersey, 1; a total of 37.

The word from our own missionaries and their work is full of enthusiasm and encouragement.

Mrs. McCleary is home from Africa on furlough and has been visiting her supporters in Montclair.

In China we have many friends. In Canton the True Light Seminary, for girls, has had an enrollment of 244, among these are 60 women; 36 pupils have united with the Church. The school building has been lighted by electricity, this being the gift of one of the teachers.

The Refuge for the Insane has sheltered 65 patients, instead of the 50, for which the building was intended, and has been put on an entirely self-supporting basis. A native Christian, a cripple, sits within the gate and tells the gospel message to the many who come and go—3,000 in four months. In this connection it will be of interest to know that two more asylums for the insane are to be opened in China—one at Shanghai and one at Peking. Mrs. Boggs, living at Fa Ti, across the river from the old city of Canton, reports an increased attendance at her dispensary. She employs a blind girl educated in the School for the Blind, to talk to the patients while waiting for treatment. She is translating Dr. Trumbull's book on "Child Training," also finishing a book on nursing which Dr. Chestnut had well under way. Those present at the Synodical meeting a year ago will remember that a contribution was sent from our treasury to Dr. Fulton and his sister to complete their new house. Dr. Mary Fulton writes "after a mob and thirteen movings" it is good to be settled in a home of her own with Dr. Mack and Miss Strathie, the trained nurse who is helping in the hospital work. Eight girls are taking the two years' course in nursing in the training school. From Mrs. Kerr's hospital school for girls and women 11 have united with the church.

The station at Lien Chow is to be rebuilt, and Mr. Edwards and his wife and children, at home on furlough at the time of the massacre, hope soon to start for China and begin the work of rebuilding. Mr. Edwards carries with him money to build the much-needed boys' school.

Miss Anna Morton is now on her way to Ningpo to resume her work in the high-class girls' school, taking with her Miss Dickey, well-known at 156 Fifth avenue as Mr. Speer's secretary. In April last Miss Cunningham, the missionary of the South Park Church, Newark, was married to Mr. Wright, also of Ningpo.

Soochow has been brought near to Shanghai by railroad, the all-night journey by native house-boat being changed into a two-and-a-half-hour journey by rail. "A not unmixed blessing," writes Dr. Fitch, of the Tooker Memorial Hospital, within a few yards of which the train comes to a standstill. Dr. Fitch also writes of the revival which has come to the Church, working among church members mostly. Dr. Sattell, after a two years' furlough necessitated by a disabled right arm, is gladly returning to her work.

The Spirit of the Lord has also been felt at Nanking, where Mr. and Mrs. Drummond are stationed, and where he had worked on the hearts of natives and foreigners alike. Miss Jane Hyde, supported by Jersey City, has been transferred to this station.

Miss Carter writes that her time is spent upon the language, with three itinerary trips and a little teaching in the girl's school.

Miss Moore, of Wei Hsien, writes of her work in Mrs. Mateer's school for girls. As her engagement has been announced, it will not be her permanent work. Mr. Killie is at home, and with lantern and slides is giving most interesting pictures of Chinese life to the people in America.

In Korea the work of Mrs. Irvin in her school for girls is most excellent, training the pupils in character as well as in knowledge.

Many have heard of the serious illness of Mrs. McGilvary, at her daughter's home in this country, and of the anxious journey of Mr. McGilvary from far Laos in the hope of seeing her once more. It is a pleasure to tell of her restoration to health once more and of her departure with her husband for their beloved land.

Mr. Goheen is home on furlough.

In India Mrs. Forman is working very successfully in a school for Hindoo and Mohammedan girls. She writes particularly of her class for women, who come from their poor villages with their husbands and always a baby. They learn to read and write and return as Christian workers.

Miss Brown, at Kodoli, has had charge of cutting and making 1,500 garments for the orphanage. She also has the care of a woman's school of 70, 12 of whom are being trained as Bible women. The revival reached Kodoli, and all work was set aside that the whole time might be given to prayer.

Besides the wedding of Miss Cunningham, two others of interest should be mentioned. Miss McGilvary was married in December to Rev. Roderick Gillies, and is now living at Lakawn.

Of much later date and really belonging to the report of next year is the marriage of Miss Anna Lloyd, for ten years one of the leaders of the Boys' Brigade, in Central Church, Orange, to Rev. William Hunt, of Korea. They have started for their home in Pyeng Yang, but will ultimately be settled at the new station at Chai Ryung.

We miss from among us the dear presence of Mrs. Hepburn, who, after months of weakness, has been called to her reward.



In closing our report we would acknowledge the debt we owe to the missionaries home on furlough, who, in spite of weariness of body and mind, give of their time and strength to tell us of their work—and our work—in the foreign field.

Also, we should render thanks that we, who remain at home from choice or necessity, are allowed to share in the hastening of the coming of our Lord's kingdom by our prayers and gifts. We may become intecessory foreign missionaries if we will. "For the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof."

MARY R. TOOKER,

*Secretary pro tem.*

## X. — TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of New Jersey was held in the First Presbyterian (Munn avenue) Church, of East Orange, on October 11th, 1906.

The devotional meeting, opening at 9:30, was conducted by Mrs. Kerr, of Elizabeth.

Mrs. Stevenson, the President, presided at the morning session.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, in the absence of Mrs. Condict, was read by Miss Tooker. It noted an increase in auxiliaries of 14, in membership of 650, and in contributions of \$772.39.

Mrs. Hall, reporting for Young People's Societies, emphasized the need of using the methods which give the best results, *i. e.*, organization and co-operation, and urged that Bands and Christian Endeavor Societies contribute to the work assigned them by the Philadelphia Board.

The report of the Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Coddington, noted an increase of 200 subscribers to Over Sea and Land in our Synod, and mentioned the new study book for the year, as well as helps, magazines, etc.

The report of the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund was accepted and placed on file. It reported a balance on hand of \$76.88.

The Committees on Place of Meeting, Resolutions and Election of Officers were appointed after the singing of the hymn "The Church's One Foundation."

Because of the illness of his wife, Mr. Gale, of Korea, was unable to be present at the meeting. In his absence, Rev. John F. Patterson, pastor of the Central Church, Orange, gave an address on missions. He spoke of the fact that this year was one of anniversaries—200 years of Presbyterianism in America, 100 years of missions in China, 100 years since the Haystack Meeting, and 70 years since the foundation of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. After a survey of the changes that have been wrought at home and abroad in the attitude towards missions during the century, he stated that the best investment that can be made of self or means is in the cause of Foreign Missions.

After the singing of the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God," and the collection taken during the singing, a conference was conducted on Young People's Work by Mrs. Hall. Her subject was "Ideals," subdivided into the following heads: Ideal Meeting, Ideal Knowledge, Ideal Giving and Ideal Study Class.

The collection amounted to \$43.36. The motion was carried to send \$50 to the Philadelphia Board.

The Nominating Committee reported on the election of officers, substituting the name of Mrs. Cushing as President for that of Mrs. Stevenson. The officers, elected by acclamation, with one negative vote for President, cast by Mrs. Young, who wished her vote recorded, were as follows:

*President*—Mrs. G. W. Cushing, East Orange.

ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

*Vice-Presidents*—Mrs. J. T. Kerr, Elizabeth.  
Mrs. M. J. Petrie, Plainfield.

JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. William Nelson, Paterson.  
Mrs. P. F. Leavens, Passaic.

MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. Ella Stults, Cranbury.  
Mrs. Charles B. Austin, Toms River.

MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. A. J. Brown, East Orange.  
Miss K. Storrs, Orange.

NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

Miss A. M. Carter, Newark.  
Mrs. W. J. Rushing, Newark.

NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. Peter Stryker, Bound Brook.  
Mrs. J. J. Davison, New Brunswick.

NEWTON PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. E. B. England, Asbury.  
Mrs. W. R. Scranton, Belvidere.

WEST JERSEY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. J. M. Moore, Clayton.  
Mrs. I. Pursell, Wenonah.

*Recording Secretary*—Miss Mary Roberts Tooker, East Orange.

*Corresponding Secretary*—Mrs. Walter Condict, Jersey City.

*Secretary Young People's Work*—Mrs. W. H. Hall, 565 High street, Newark.

*Treasurer*—Miss VanMeter, Salem.

*Secretary Literature*—Mrs. L. B. Coddington, Murray Hill.

Mrs. Gedney, speaking in behalf of the Committee on Entertainment, gave a most cordial invitation to all present to stay to luncheon.

After a few words of welcome by the pastor of the church, Dr. Ludlow, the meeting was closed with the benediction.

MARY R. TOOKER,

*Recording Secretary.*

## XI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK.

*Statistics.*—The reports of the past year show 467 schools, a gain of two over last year, with 8,587 officers and teachers, and 67,471 scholars. The Home Department reports a membership of 7,958, making a total enrollment of 84,016. There have been 5,042 additions during the year, but these are offset by the losses from the schools, so that the total membership is 226 less than last year.

The Presbytery of Newark again leads, with an increase of six schools, 622 new scholars, and an increase in money raised over last year of \$2,791. New Brunswick Presbytery loses two schools, but makes a gain in membership of 263. The Presbytery of Havana shows a gain of four schools, with 91 scholars members of the church, and 28 added on confession of faith.

It is with deep gratitude to God that we report 15,121 of our scholars as members of our churches, and that during the past year 2,944 have made public profession of their faith in Christ and united with the church. This is perhaps the largest ingathering from the schools in any single year of Synod's history, and is doubtless due in part to the evangelistic campaign held last winter under the leadership of Dr. Wilbur Chapman and the Assembly's Evangelistic Committee. Subtract this number from the 5,396 additions to our churches on profession of faith during the past year, and we find 492 more coming from the schools than from all other sources—surely an object lesson on the importance of the Sunday-school as a recruiting station for the Church. Each of the Presbyteries shows a large increase in additions to the Church over last year. In the Presbytery of New Brunswick the increase was 244, in West Jersey, 183, while for the entire Synod the increase over last year's figures is 1,244.

The Shorter Catechism is taught in 255 of our schools, a gain of 23 schools. This is a gratifying showing, in view of the fact that the last General Assembly notes with profound regret the decreasing use of the Shorter Catechism, and says in its Minutes: "It is of the first importance that our young people be systematically instructed in the fundamental teachings of the Scriptures, as well as in a comprehensive knowledge of the Book itself. No such concise, accurate and balanced statement of these teachings within brief compass exists in our language as that found in the Westminster Shorter Catechism."

The names of 3,722 infant children are found upon the Cradle Roll of our schools, thus claiming them for the Sunday-school and the Church, while 7,958 adults, who study the lessons at home, are enrolled in the Home Department. Three hundred and twenty of our schools use the Westminster Lesson Helps prepared by our own Board, and 520 pupils are pursuing systematic courses of instruction in Teacher-Training Classes, thus preparing themselves to be officers and teachers in the near future.

*Offerings.*—Our Sunday-schools gave to the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work \$7,389, an increase of \$2,598 over last year, a record worthy of praise, and doubtless due in great measure to the increased spiritual prosperity of the schools. Add to this the gifts of our churches to the Board, and we have the sum of \$12,697, a forward movement that is very gratifying. The schools contributed to other Boards of the Church \$20,051, and raised for all other purposes \$42,990, a total of \$70,430.

May we invite you for a moment to a wider view, while we glance at the Sunday-school work of our denomination. We have to-day 8,752 Presbyterian Sunday-schools. We have also more than 3,500 mission schools under the care of our missionaries. This gives us a total of more than 12,000 Presbyterian Sabbath-schools, in which are enrolled 122,405 officers and teachers, with a total membership of 1,124,080, a gain of 22,158 over last year. Eighty-two thousand four hundred and eighty-three are enrolled in the Home Department, 54,428 names are on the Cradle Roll; 266,336 scholars are members of our churches, 39,545 being received into our churches the past year. These schools gave to the Boards of the Church \$238,018 during the year, and raised for their own support \$587,351, a total of \$825,896.

*Mission Work.*—The Board has pushed its work with vigor and zeal during the past year in all parts of the land, among Americans and foreigners, whites and blacks, in cities, country districts and mining and lumber regions. They have maintained 151 missionaries in the field, and these have ministered to 135,798 persons, established 1,032 schools, and gathered into them 35,483 children, and developed from former schools 82 churches, 74 of which are Presbyterian. An average of 53 churches a year for the past 18 years has grown out of the work of these missionaries.

Most commendable are the efforts made by the Board, with the limited resources at its command, to meet the religious needs of the vast numbers of foreign immigrants which are flooding some localities in our land. Last year brought us 1,050,000 foreigners, the largest number received in any single year in our history. To our Board, through the colporteurs and the printed page, the General Assembly has committed the responsibility of first ministering to these. During the last year twenty-four colporteurs have labored among Italians, Magyars, Bohemians, Slovacks, Croats, Ruthenians, Lithuanians, Russians, Poles, French, Spanish and other foreigners in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, Nebraska and California. Special publications are provided in the languages of some of these peoples, including a weekly paper in the Bohemian, and a monthly in the Hungarian language.

Valuable work for improving the method and increasing the efficiency of our Sabbath-schools has been done by the holding of institutes and conferences by the Secretary of the Board, and by lecture courses delivered by Dr. Worden in theological seminaries, and by the new emphasis laid on teacher training.

The Church is realizing, as never before, the importance of our missionary and colporteur work. One evidence of this is the increasing number of Presbyterian churches, Sabbath-schools and individuals who are assuming the support of a missionary in whole or in part.

During the past year fifteen missionaries have thus been provided for, making a total of fifty-seven missionaries who are supported by Presbyteries, churches and individuals.

The year now closed has been one of progress. The circulation of our Lesson Helps and papers has increased, the contributions to our missionary work have been greater, and more missionaries and colporteurs have been employed than in any previous year.

Your Committee would respectfully present the following recommendations for adoption:

1. That Synod reaffirms its recommendation that our schools be urged to observe Children's Day the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day the last Sabbath of September, and that liberal offerings be made on these days to the missionary and colportage work of the Board.

2. That Synod commends the plan known as the Forward Movement in Sabbath-school Missions, by which the support of particular missionaries is assumed by Presbyteries, churches, Sabbath-schools and individuals, and recommends its wider adoption.

3. That every Sunday-school be urged to establish a Teachers' Training Class and a Home Department, and to use the graded lesson helps of the Board.

4. That we commend the general, careful and prayerful use of a Decision Day, along the line of the Assembly's Evangelistic Committee.

HENRY C. CRONIN,

*Chairman.*



## XII.—THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Results in the field of Young People's work seem to be good, in proportion to the amount of attention given the societies by those having the oversight.

Elizabeth says: "The interest among young people appears to be on the increase. There has been a gratifying number of conversions."

Monmouth says: "There seems to be no change in the status of Christian Endeavor Societies in our churches. The chief complaint is that the members go home after the society's meeting and do not attend church at evening service, nor prayer-meeting. But it is unquestionable that the organization has helped many young people to pray and speak and love the church."

Newark says: "Our reports, as compared with Sunday-school statistics, after making a liberal allowance of 50 per cent., show that only one-half of our young people are actively engaged in the work of our Church. We are a great and strong church, but will we be able to lead in the future if we allow one-half of our young people to grow up without specific training in and for the work of our Presbyterian Church. The best revival services we could engage in for the coming year would be an active personal campaign of our Sessions, and the fathers and mothers of our churches to try to bring into the fold the half of our sons and daughters now idle in the vineyard of our Lord."

New Brunswick says: "The chief emphasis of our work is put upon the duty of earnest and willing support of our foreign missionary assigned to us, the Rev. Charles A. Killie, of China."

While the Presbyteries for the most part report an increase in contributions, especially to Home and Foreign Missions, there seems to be a widespread feeling that something more—something widespread and energetic—ought to be done in behalf of our young people. In the General Assembly the subject attracted attention because the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies and the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work recommended to the Assembly a joint resolution that the work of Young People's Societies be turned over to the Board of Publication, and that a new Secretary be appointed by it to have charge of the work. Also the Assembly directed the Board "to take up at once and push vigorously all those matters committed by previous Assemblies to the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies, together with such new matters and methods as in its judgment would tend to develop and strengthen the work of these societies." Also the Assembly resolved that present arrangements pertaining to the work of Young People's Societies in the lower judicatories of the Church shall stand, in order that the Church may not

lose the force of organization already operative, and that no change be made until the requirements of the work under the new plan shall be more clearly outlined and reported to the General Assembly.

#### I.—MISSIONARY ENTERPRISES.

Our young people are engaged in almost every kind of missionary enterprise. Some societies take their part in supporting the special missionary connected with their own church. In such cases they give but little to the group object. Most of the societies are in churches that are not strong enough to support a missionary, in addition to their pastor. Such societies are greatly stimulated by the group plan. All our Presbyteries are working on some such plan, the Christian Endeavor Societies all being connected with male missionaries. A list of them was reported to Synod two years ago.

Comparing Presbyteries, we find the following Home Missions contributions, as reported by the Board, to wit: Elizabeth, \$780; loss, \$58. Jersey City, \$424; loss, \$73. Monmouth, \$589; loss, \$8. Morris and Orange, \$1,430; gain, \$285. Newark, \$688; loss, \$691. New Brunswick, \$404; gain, \$35. Newton, \$331; loss, \$67. West Jersey, \$452; gain, \$70. Total to Board of Home Missions, \$4,969, being a decrease on last year of \$531. The contributions to the Foreign Board are: Elizabeth, \$2,670; gain, \$842. Jersey City, \$416; loss, \$20. Monmouth, \$589; loss, \$117. Newark, \$535; loss, \$363. New Brunswick, \$965; loss, \$152. Newton, \$285; loss, \$41. West Jersey, \$645; gain, \$172. Total to Board of Foreign Missions, \$7,447, being an increase on last year of \$293. There are losses here reported by our two leading Boards that ought to be noticed by the Presbyteries concerned, and earnest efforts made to redeem them.

#### II. GENERAL STATISTICS.

In the same connection we note some of the leading statistical items. First, reporting by Presbyteries, we have in Elizabeth 95 Young People's Societies, with total membership of 1,960; conversions, 108; total given to all objects, \$2,974. Jersey City reports: Societies, 49; membership, 2,157; conversions, 156; contributions, \$3,749. Monmouth reports: Societies, 72; membership, 1,972; conversions, not stated; contributions, \$3,880. Morris and Orange reports: Societies, 90; membership, 3,941; conversions, 105; contributions, \$7,522. Newark reports: Societies, 74; membership, 3,240; conversions, 83; contributions, \$6,641. New Brunswick reports: Societies, 66; membership, 2,208; conversions, 175; contributions, \$2,534. Newton reports: Societies, 57; membership, 1,903; conversions, 102; contributions, \$2,301. West Jersey reports: Societies, 100; membership, 3,000; conversions, 150; contributions, \$4,046.

The largest number of societies is in the Presbytery of Elizabeth, 95; the largest membership is in Morris and Orange, 3,941; the largest

number of conversions is in New Brunswick, 175; the largest contribution is in Morris and Orange, \$7,522.

Arranging the statistics according to the items, we have the following: Senior societies, 347; intermediate societies, 60; junior societies, 164; total societies, 571; senior membership, 12,379; intermediate membership, 1,882; junior membership, 6,130; total membership, 20,391; senior conversions, 562; intermediate conversions, 89; junior conversions, 227; total conversions, 778. Contributions to Home Missions of Presbyterian Church, \$7,984; Foreign Missions of Presbyterian Church, \$7,105; to other Boards, \$616, of which Synodical Home Missions received \$167; to Local Church and Self-Support, \$13,576; to Miscellaneous Benevolences, \$4,632; total, \$33,913. Or, in a word, 571 societies of all kinds reported 30,391 members, 778 conversions and \$33,913 in contributions. Of these the C. E. group numbers about 240 societies, with 6,000 members, 18 intermediates with 250 members and 160 junior societies with 2,600 members, or a total of 418 societies with 8,850 members.

We are not able to draw comparisons with last year in all items, because this is the first year of full reports. Most of the Presbyteries report that there is an increase in most of the items.

### III. THE CHRISTIAN STUDY COURSE.

The last General Assembly of 1905 approved of the study outlines and text-books of the second and third years of the Christian Study Course, as they were reported by the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies, and recommended that they be used in all our churches. The last General Assembly directed the Board of Publication and Sabbath-School Work to push vigorously all matters pertaining to this course. Thus far no announcements relating to the Course have been published by the Board. The text-books for the third year are as follows:

Biblical subject: "Reading the New Testament in One Year"; hand-book, "The New Testament and Its Writers," by Rev. J. A. McClymont, D.D., Aberdeen. Historical subject: "The History of the Presbyterian Church in America"; hand-book, "The Presbyterians," by Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D.D. Doctrinal subject: "The Church"; hand-book, "Church, Ministry and Sacraments," by Rev. Norman Macleod, D.D., Inverness. All orders for these three books should be sent to the Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, Pa. Correspondence pertaining to the Missionary Department and text-books should be addressed to T. H. P. Sailer, Ph.D., Honorary Educational Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, 156 Fifth avenue, New York.

Your Committee has so often urged the pastors and Sessions to lead their societies into the paths of Presbyterian history, doctrine, polity and missions that it must suffice at this time to do nothing more than make the announcement of the text-books and the importance of this education to all our young people.

## IV.—THE HISTORICAL CELEBRATION.

The last Synod, by resolution, heartily approved of observing in this year of 1906 the 200th anniversary of the organization of the Presbyterian Church in this country, including the first recorded ordination of a Presbyterian pastor on American soil, the Rev. John Boyd, at Old Scots Church, of Freehold, on Friday, December 27th, 1706. Synod also directed your Committee to prepare suitable programs for such an occasion that might be an aid to churches and societies intending to observe this grand anniversary, and requested that the offerings taken in connection with the celebrations be turned over to Synodical Home Missions. Your Committee made these proposals to Synod, and has endeavored to carry them into effect. We have, in connection with General Assembly's Committee on Young People's Societies, prepared a bicentennial program, which we have distributed to the members of Synod. Our edition of the same will bear the name of the Synod of New Jersey, and the last address will be entitled "The Work of Synodical Home Missions, or the Church and the Coming American." We are also ready to furnish some aid to pastors in the way of a little pamphlet, entitled "A Perspective of 200 Years of American Presbyterianism," prepared by the Chairman, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D. This pamphlet, together with the literature furnished by Synod's Committee on Synodical Home Missions, might prove to be what would be needed in preparing for the celebration. Besides these, many pastors will have other helps of their own. Orders for programs and literature should be sent to the Chairman. Unless Synod provides otherwise, they will have to be charged for at the rate of one cent each, postpaid, payable in advance.

We think it advisable that an early date be chosen for these celebrations, so that advantage may be taken of favorable weather, and therefore suggest Sunday, November 25th, 1906, or some earlier Sunday, according to the discretion of the pastors. The occasion is propitious for deepening the loyalty of all our members, and especially the young people, in behalf of our beloved Church, and earnest effort should be put forth to realize the goodly sum of \$1,000 in the collections, as recommended by the last Synod, for the benefit of Synodical Home Missions, and what is first of all to lead all our people to realize more deeply that all they have received and all they are belongs to Him, who says, "Occupy till I come."

## V.—THE NEW WORK FOR MEN.

While it does not belong specially to our Committee to bring up and emphasize the need of organizing the men of our churches for more effective work, yet the work of our Young People's Societies certainly leads to the Presbyterian Brotherhood. This is a taking name, adopted by the General Assembly for the new organization among the men in all our churches. We earnestly hope that all our pastors and churches

will seriously take up the formation of a men's brotherhood in their respective churches, and that this 200th year of organization, this 20th year of Synodical Home Missions, this second year of the National Inter-Church Federation, this supreme year of Reunion and Union in Presbyterianism, may be the birth year of the grandest, most far-reaching, most consecrating work among the men in all our churches since the foundation of the Presbyterian Church in America.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1st. That the Synod commend our Young People's Societies for their many good works, and urge them to support the pastor heartily in building up the services and holding the young people in the church.

2d. That all our Presbyteries be cautioned not to permit this work of Young People's Societies to fall back into an inferior place, but by faithful oversight and hearty interest constantly advance the work.

3. That special attention of all our churches and societies be called, as recommended by the last Synod, to this year of 1906 as the 200th anniversary of the organization of American Presbyterianism, and the 20th year of the beginning of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey, the one being the historical background, the other the modern development of a great work in our State, and that our churches and societies be urged to celebrate the year on Sunday, November 25th next or nearby date, and the offerings at that time be turned over to Synodical Home Missions; also, that the attention of the pastors be called to the literature provided by the Committee as an aid to the service.

4. That the attention of all our Presbyteries be called to the need of providing means for pressing upon the churches the great matter of the Presbyterian Brotherhood for all the men of our churches, and that our Presbyteries be advised to appoint a special committee, as recommended by the last General Assembly, whose duty it shall be to correspond with pastors and laymen with a view to extending the new organization as rapidly as possible.

HUGH B. MACCAULEY,  
*Chairman.*



## XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Synod at Cape May instructed this Committee to print the most important Sabbath laws that are being violated, stating the means of redress that can be taken, and ordered that the same be mailed to each minister in the Synod, not later than January 1st, 1906, provided they cannot be codified in time to become a part of the annual printed record of the Synod of New Jersey. Before leaving Cape May the instruction of Synod was carried out and you had these laws printed in the Minutes for 1905 (see pages 118-119). These laws clearly state what the Commonwealth of New Jersey regards a desecration of the Sabbath day. Public sentiment seems to be at variance with the law, for the law is regularly violated in almost every particular, and scarcely any notice is taken by the majority of the citizens. The law of God and of the land is clearly in mind, but inaction follows, because a general willingness to ignore the right possesses the masses.

The improvements in keeping the Sabbath that can be noted have an economic rather than a moral basis. The labor organizations and the railroad companies, seeking a greater degree of efficiency through the observance of a rest day, are making more progress than the churches. The laboring man insists on his rights, and is getting them. The Sabbath question does not rest, however, on the right of man, but on the right of God. Tithing our money and "remembering the Sabbath day to keep it holy" indicate that we acknowledge the sovereignty of God. Pleasing self in these matters is a defiance of the claim of the Most High.

Our Committee on Applied Christianity once said: "The two pinions of the eagle of moral reform are Sabbath Observance and Temperance." Reformers are rarely popular. It is useless to mention again the manner in which church members, including ministers, elders and communicants desecrate the Sabbath day. We all know how it is done and whether we are the sinners. A clear-cut sermon on the subject makes the congregation take the opposite side, in self-defense.

The question is a very serious one for those who are employed for all or a part of the Sabbath day. God never fails those who take a stand for the right. There is a necessity for exercising more faith and trusting Him for the result.

The past year has brought some Sabbath victories, and for these we thank God and take courage. France has passed a law remarkable for her. The passage of this law has been heralded as a Socialist victory. It is in part, but it must be called a Christian Socialist victory, for the teaching of Jesus Christ was the leaven that prevailed. To-day, in France, Sunday is an obligatory rest-day. If such can be the result in France, what may we not do in Christian America?

But our eyes are especially on America, and here we see many signs of the better observance of the Best Day. At a recent meeting of the agents of the passenger associations of our country, at Old Point Comfort, it was proposed to do away with Sunday excursions. The motion was lost, but it is a reason for thanksgiving that the question was presented at all. Had not the passenger agent of the Maine Central road taken such a positive stand against the motion, it might have been passed. Other passenger agents claimed that the loss to the road in the efficiency of the men by reason of Sunday work was not made up by the dollars gained for extra traffic. Indeed, the Church must bestir herself to even keep pace with the business world on this economic and religious question, for the religious side is of far greater value than the economic one. All of the great labor unions, representing over 3,000,000 men, have passed the strongest resolutions asserting their right to Sunday as a day of rest. The Undertakers' Congress, the American Retail Druggists' Congress and many other organized bodies call upon the churches and Christians in general to help them by keeping the day holy. The fact is, that in this respect the church is not keeping pace with the demand that the world is making upon its members.

To-day New Jersey finds herself in an advanced position through a compromise measure passed at Trenton during the last session of the Legislature. The Bishops' Bill, while less than the Christians of the State asked for, is a step in the right direction. Since the Bishops' Bill went into effect the saloons have been closed throughout the State on the Sabbath. Granted that there has been some liquor sold, but conditions have been greatly improved in many communities. There is, however, a movement now under way for the repeal of the bill.

The following resolutions are submitted for your consideration:

1. That the Synod of New Jersey urges upon all the members of its churches the consideration of the fact that the Sunday newspaper, Sunday traveling, Sunday games and Sunday social functions are inconsistent with the life of a pledged follower of Jesus Christ, and should, therefore, be omitted.

2. That since Sunday is the Lord's Day, and is set apart entirely for His service, that ordinarily each member of the church should attend both the morning and evening services of the church to which the member belongs.

3. That we call the attention of our ministers to resolution No. 9 of the General Assembly's Committee (Minutes 1906, page 51), recommending that during the month of April next a sermon be preached on the subject of Sabbath Observance, and that, if the way be clear, an offering be made for the work of the American Sabbath Union, to be sent to Col. A. S. Bacon, Treasurer, 37 Liberty street, New York City.

4. That we most heartily commend and warmly endorse the work of the American Sabbath Union in their faithful effort to preserve in its purity the Christian Sabbath.

SAMUEL D. PRICE,

*Chairman.*



#### XIV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee think that no mistake was made by Synod last year in appointing a special committee of this body to co-operate with representatives of other religious bodies and with various temperance organizations in our State for legislative work, and especially to promote the enactment of a local option law by our State Legislature. This special committee has done hard and heroic work and deserves the approval and thanks of the Synod.

We believe that the Bishops' bill would not have become a law, even in its much modified form, had not the demand for a local option law been pressed upon our Legislature with great zeal and persistency by the temperance forces of our State, and our special committee was indefatigable in its efforts to arouse public sentiment and to gather the supporters of the bill at Trenton to plead their cause. We can rejoice in the fact that a very good beginning has been made for better temperance legislation in our State. The Bishops' bill, which became operative in July last, although it came to be called the Brewers' bill, because of many changes in its provisions, has, nevertheless, called forth the strong opposition of the organized liquor forces of our commonwealth.

Its enactment and enforcement mark a decided gain for temperance and for Sabbath observance. The vote in the Assembly for local option, too (13 to 40), gives us good ground for encouragement and perseverance in our efforts to secure home rule on the liquor question in our State. It is the unanimous judgment of this Committee that the special committee of the Synod on legislative work should be continued and instructed to persevere in the work for a local option law. It is hoped that all the temperance forces of our State will be able to unite on a local option bill, or on a single bill combining local option and further restrictive legislation this coming winter. We should surely learn from our experience this year and from our experience in connection with the anti-race track gambling legislation a few years since that when the Christian people of this State will rally together and urge upon our legislators reasonable and righteous legislation on great moral issues our requests will not be ignored. The people whose servants the legislators are have a right to be heard on any question of law brought before them, and we should demand and use this right as a matter of duty, as well as privilege. It is the rule of the people and of the God-fearing and righteous-loving people which our times demand, and we are recreant to our solemn trust as the real rulers of the State if we do not earnestly endeavor to secure the enactment and enforcement of laws that will save the people of our commonwealth, in some measure at least, from the blighting and blasting effects of the liquor evil. It is gratifying to know that Roman Catholics

and Protestants have worked together so harmoniously to secure better laws, and that the Christian people of our State have been so nearly unanimous in the approval of the efforts made last winter in this direction.

The important point to be emphasized is that we must maintain this movement for local option so auspiciously begun until we have gained our rights, contending that under our democratic form of government every community should have the privilege of deciding for itself whether it will tolerate in its bounds the tax-burdening, crime-breeding, body-and-soul-destroying institution known as the "licensed liquor traffic."

We would commend the Anti-Saloon League of our State for its brave, wise and zealous leadership in our local option movement, and rejoice that our churches have supported it to a large extent in its excellent work. We believe that such an organization is needful, especially for legislative and for law and order work, and that our churches and other temperance organizations can work with this League without friction or conflict.

Your Committee would call the attention of the Synod to the forward movement and enlarged operations of our General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance as it enters upon the twenty-sixth year of its work. By authority of the Assembly it has already secured the services of five field secretaries, who have been selected because of their proved fitness for the work designed. They will devote their whole time to the work of promoting the temperance cause throughout our land, and it is hoped that all of our churches, Presbyteries and Synods will invite their services. Rev. John M. Fulton, D.D., one of these secretaries, will reside in Philadelphia (827 N. 63d street), and he is now ready to make engagements with churches and other bodies in the eastern section of the country. For better legislation and life along temperance lines we must have instruction and agitation, and our pastors and church Sessions can greatly help in this work by falling actively into line with the plans of the Assembly's Committee, using its excellent literature, which is freely provided, and opening the doors of our churches to its official agents. The Assembly's Committee has, by the direction of the Assembly, prepared an excellent exercise for our Sunday-schools suitable for Temperance Day, and 2,000 schools have already ordered a supply of the same for this year. The same committee has prepared some excellent new leaflets for the use of the churches, and will probably soon begin the issue of a monthly bulletin to provide pastors and others with fresh material for temperance sermons and addresses. It has already taken steps to secure a federation of the churches of all denominations, and has secured an advisory committee of twenty-five persons of our own denomination, representing different sections of the country, to more effectively promote the temperance work. We cannot, in this report, cover all the important matters relating to the Assembly Committee's work and plans. We hope that all of our pastors will read its last annual report to their congregations, or present the substance of it in a sermon. It ought to be

noticed that the great and important work of this Committee is done at a very small expense of money. Only \$25,000 is asked in order to maintain its enlarged operations this present year. By order of the Assembly, there will be a special column in its minutes this year to record the contributions of our churches to temperance work. May we not hope that all of the churches of this Synod will be represented in that column.

Last year only seventy-eight of our 343 churches contributed to the support of the Assembly Committee's work. The banner Presbytery, both in the number of churches contributing (24) and in the total amount given (\$121.16) was Monmouth, and the banner church of Synod in this form of benevolence was the Basking Ridge Church, of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, \$34.34. The total amount given by Synod's churches was \$417.27, a little more than a half cent per communicant member.

We hope that all of our churches will observe the last Sabbath of this month as Temperance Day, and endeavor to secure an offering for the Assembly's Committee on temperance at that time.

Your Committee are impressed with the conviction that the cause of temperance is steadily gaining ground in our State and nation, and throughout the world. In our own State the law against the Sunday liquor traffic is being more rigidly enforced in some cities. We most sincerely hope and pray that this fair city of Asbury Park, which was founded as a temperance town, and which has been so long a safe, attractive and thriving resort, exceptionally free from drunkenness and disorder, will not, at the election in November, vote in favor of the licensing of the liquor traffic in any form within its bounds. Our General Assembly has given its judgment to the effect that the liquor business is sinful in its character, and, therefore, it must be sinful to support it by vote or otherwise. We trust that all the Christian and moral citizens of this place will actively co-operate to maintain it as prohibition ground.

In the nation at large the no-license territory is being steadily enlarged, chiefly under local option laws. It is highly probable that the new State of Oklahoma will soon be enrolled among the prohibition States with Maine, Kansas and North Dakota. In San Francisco we have recently had a splendid example of the successful enforcement of the prohibition traffic and of its excellent results in preventing drunkenness and crime. For eleven weeks after the recent earthquake and fire the liquor saloons of that city were closed by order of the mayor. The first Monday morning after the re-opening seventy-four victims of strong drink appeared before the police courts, as against five the previous Monday; and on the second Monday one hundred and thirteen victims appeared, as against three or four the second Monday before the re-opening. We must not be too much afraid lest our temperance legislation will advance too rapidly to be supported by the government and people. We are pretty sure that the great majority of the people in nearly all the cities and towns of this nation are favor-

able to the complete abolition of the liquor traffic, and that prohibition can be enforced when those in favor of it will try to do their duty in this regard. It is encouraging to note that the United States Department of Labor found, on inquiry, that 72 per cent. of the agriculturists, 79 per cent. of the manufacturers, 80 per cent. of the tradesmen and 90 per cent. of the railroad managers of this country discriminate against drinking men in employing labor. More and more are the manufacturers, venders and users of alcoholic beverages being put to a disadvantage in this and other nations as the tide of temperance sentiment rises. Stronger and more general are the testimonies of medical men as to the injurious effects of alcoholic drinks upon the physical organism. Patent medicines containing a large percentage of alcohol are publicly condemned, and the venders of some of them are required to pay a government tax. So many and strong are the forces arrayed against the liquor evil in our land now that the president of the National Retail Liquor Dealers' Association of this country said in a recent address: "Peer into every city, town and hamlet—then read the city ordinances, visit the different legislatures and the halls of the United States Congress; consult with your lawmakers, and you will be astonished at the combinations arrayed against the traffic that we represent." "The truth is," he said, "the enemy is gaining ground rapidly upon us, and we are being overpowered by the tremendous forces battling against us." When a prominent leader of the liquor forces speaks publicly in this style, it is time for the temperance workers to thank God and press on with greater energy and courage.

Your Committee has received a communication from the Women's Synodical Temperance Association of the Synod of Pennsylvania, asking the endorsement of this body to its petition to the International Committee of the Evangelical Alliance that one entire day of the week of prayer be devoted to prayer for the removal of the drinking usages of society and the abolition of the traffic in alcoholic beverages, and of the opium habit and trade.

We recommend that this Synod shall endorse this petition, through the official signatures of our Moderator and Stated Clerk. We also recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

*First*—That the special Committee appointed last year to co-operate with other organizations to further temperance legislation in our State be continued and instructed to persevere in earnest efforts to secure the enactment of a general local option law, and that the members of our congregations be urged to support this movement.

*Second*—That this Synod calls upon the pastors and sessions of all the churches under its care to observe Temperance Day as appointed by our General Assembly, and to co-operate heartily with its permanent Committee on Temperance in promoting the practice of total abstinence from the use of all alcoholic beverages, and the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic.

*Third*—That as social salvation is part of the salvation which Christ came to bring to men, it is our duty as His followers to press the facts and principles of temperance and the social evils of strong drink upon the attention of the public, and to insist that the present system of legalizing the liquor traffic at the demand of a minority of our citizens is an invasion of our rights and liberties.

*Fourth*—That it is our duty to set forth frequently the greatness of the sin of drunkenness, the responsibility of personal example in this matter, and the obligation of Christians to practice total abstinence from the use of all alcoholic beverages as the only safe course for ourselves and others.

*Fifth*—That while we, as a Synod, rejoice in the continued progress of the temperance cause in our State and nation, and in the progress of restrictive legislation affecting the liquor evil, we nevertheless put ourselves on record as opposed to the license system on principle, believing it to be morally wrong, and we call upon all our citizens to unite in a crusade, having for its object the complete prohibition of the liquor traffic.

*Sixth*—That this Synod views with deep regret and with grave apprehension of disastrous results the continued efforts of some of the voters of Asbury Park to introduce into their city the legalized liquor traffic, believing such a course to be not only unjust to those persons who have invested money in a home or other property here because of the promise that it was to be a temperance town, but contrary to the moral principles of the great body of the summer visitors here, who have helped to make this city prosperous, contrary to the principles of God's holy word, and detrimental to the best interests of this city.

W. V. LOUDERBOUGH,

*Chairman.*



## XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

One who should read of the present great prosperity of our country, and should learn of the active evangelism which has resulted in large accessions to a number of the churches of the Synod, might open the Minutes of the General Assembly with the happy expectancy of finding in the statistical columns of the Boards abundant evidence of the abundant prosperity. But some of his happiness would vanish when the examination should show that the increase in beneficence was not proportionate with the increase of income and wealth. But we look for the proportionate increase next year as the result of preaching, teaching and leading this current year. The hundreds of new members, as well as former members, of the churches of Synod will come to know that the "first of the first fruits thou shalt bring into the house of the Lord thy God."

The change, or addition, to the name of this Committee, adopted last year, emphasizes the ideal of the Scriptures in the matter of the stewardship of money. Proportion is the best rule for all ages and periods, and if that be diligently kept before the people, the Lord's treasury will always be full. There will be no deficits nor debts of any Board or any church. One who has been engaged for twenty-five years in education on this subject, says: "Such movements as this, however, work slowly." Why? Why will those who are "the redeemed of the Lord" be slow in meeting the requirements of honesty and faithfulness toward God and rendering unto Him the full tribute due for all His benefits?

It rests upon us as pastors and elders so to instruct and lead our people that every member of the Church shall unvaryingly practice "proportionate and systematic beneficence." It is our high privilege—not to say duty—to show them that it is better to "live rich than to die rich," and that, happily, it is possible for the poor, as well as those who are rich in this world's goods to be "rich toward God." This can be done, not by annual sermons on beneficence, but as General Assembly has often advised, by "frequently preaching" on the subject—by "precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, there a little." Is there libel or truth in the line or two of a letter written to your Chairman by a layman in our Synod? "It certainly is singular that more of our pastors do not see the wisdom of informing their people on the question of 'The Lord's Money' in their charge."

Your Committee has earnestly striven to direct, stimulate and inspire the pastors and elders of Synod on this subject during the past year. The Chairman sent a New Year's letter to all ministers, urging them to use one of the suggested texts of the Evangelical Alliance for the Week of Prayer, in presenting this matter so plainly contained in Mal. 3: 10, and sent also copies of the leaflet, "What We Owe and the Results of Paying It," and other literature, amounting in all to about 19,000 pages. In these efforts the appropriation by Synod was utilized.

So accustomed had we become to see the spaces of Corisco Presbytery mostly or entirely filled that it is with surprise and wonder that we note this year all, save a single space, blank. The connection of the Presbytery of Havana with our Synod was short. We part with them regretfully, but with most fervent prayers. The Church of Sancti Spiritus has already given promise of being the leader of their Presbytery in beneficence, all spaces, except Synodical Home Missions, being filled, and every dollar sent to the Treasurer of the several Boards, except Home Missions. The average, per capita, contribution for the Boards of that young church of ninety-nine members was \$1.90. The inference is unavoidable that the pastor of that church thoroughly believes in, persistently preaches and consistently practices proportionate and systematic beneficence. That ninety and nine are safely in the fold and obedient to the Good Shepherd, who said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

There is a reduction in the total number of blank spaces of the Presbyteries, except the two above mentioned, of about fifty. As in previous years, so again this year all the churches of Monmouth and New Brunswick Presbyteries filled all the spaces, but it is to be regretted that the financial reports of the Boards do not show the receipt of the money in some instances. All true beneficence is commendable, and will certainly bring a reflex blessing upon individual and Church, but it is the function of this Committee to endeavor to get all the churches to contribute to each and all of the Boards which have come into existence by our action through General Assembly. Nine churches only in the eight home Presbyteries increased their offerings to all the Boards during the past year. They are as follows: Presbytery of Elizabeth, Clarksville and Dunellen. Jersey City, none. Monmouth, Lakewood. Morris and Orange, none. Newark, none. New Brunswick, Alexandria, Trenton, Bethany. Newton, none. West Jersey, Bridgeton. Second, Camden, Second, and Laurel Springs.

The appended table shows the standing of the Presbyteries in membership, per capita offering to the Boards, per capita for congregational expenses and per capita for all purposes, including miscellaneous, Temperance and the American Bible Society:

Rank in Membership.		Per Capita to Boards.	Rank in Beneficence.	Per Capita for Congregational Purposes.	Rank.	Per Capita, Total.	Rank.
3	Elizabeth, .....	\$36.39	1	\$13.47	6	\$51.37	1
2	Morris and Orange, ..	7.409	2	15.958	3	24.58	3
1	Newark, .....	6.06	3	17.87	2	25.30	2
4	New Brunswick, ...	3.34	4	14.979	4	19.93	5
6	Jersey City, .....	3.20	5	18.748	1	22.759	4
7	Monmouth, .....	2.41	6	13.94	5	17.28	6
5	West Jersey, .....	2.25	7	13.30	7	15.839	7
8	Newton, .....	1.916	8	9.709	8	12.12	8



Newark and Morris and Orange thus exchange second and third ranking in contributions to the Boards, Jersey City and New Brunswick exchange fourth and fifth places, and Newton and West Jersey exchange seventh and eighth positions. Altogether praiseworthy are the efforts of many of the small churches to contribute to all the Boards, and it is a great pleasure to give them such encouragement as may be derived from this honorable mention.

Classifying the Synods whose per capita contributions to the Boards exceed two dollars we have the following table:

Rank in Membership.		Per Capita to Boards.	Rank in Offerings to Boards.	Per Capita for Congregational Purposes.	Rank.	Per Capita for all Contributions.	Rank.
21	Oregon, .....	\$9.055	1	\$11.31	8	\$21.47	3
10	California, .....	8.908	2	14.507	3	28.71	1
5	New Jersey, .....	8.46	3	14.688	2	24.24	2
2	New York .....	4.636	4	13.62	4	21.40	4
11	Baltimore, .....	3.74	5	15.57	1	20.927	5
1	Pennsylvania, .....	3.685	6	11.68	7	16.94	7
12	Missouri, .....	3.368	7	11.07	9	15.808	9
4	Illinois, .....	3.175	8	12.67	5	18.818	6
25	Kentucky, .....	3.10	9	10.49	11	15.23	10
13	Minnesota, .....	2.78	10	11.70	6	15.215	11
3	Ohio, .....	2.23	11	10.648	10	15.827	8

New Jersey loses the distinction she has had for some years as first among the Synods in contributions to the Boards. Oregon and California have advanced ahead of us. These held second and third places respectively last year. The positions these Synods occupy, if the cause be inquired, accentuates the potentiality of the pastor in beneficence. In each of these Synods there is a pastor or two who, under God, lead their people courageously and energetically. It is to be devoutly hoped that the First Church of Portland, Oregon, will get such a successor to Dr. Hill, and it may be confidently expected that the students of McCormick Seminary will have the benefit of his spirit and experience along this line.

The Synods of Indiana and Wisconsin, which had tenth and twelfth places respectively in a similar classification last year, decreased so much in beneficence as to be dropped from the list, while Kentucky has risen, and occupies ninth place in the list. Ohio, Minnesota, Illinois and Missouri have lowered their average of last year.

It is with keenest regret that mention must be made of a deficit of \$110,000, which the Board of Foreign Missions reported to the last General Assembly. To have the right hand of the Church crippled, should give us all a sense of suffering and a resolute effort to have it remedied. A few years ago a missionary proposed two cents per week as the minimum contribution of the young people of the Church to

foreign missions. Of the 358 churches of our Synod, 162, or only 17 less than one-half of all, having a membership of 100 and more, gave less than two cents per week to our Foreign Board. Seventy-two churches having a membership of more than 100 gave more than two cents per member per week. Three churches having a membership of less than 100 gave more than two cents per week for foreign missions, and merit commendation therefor.

In its last report, General Assembly's Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence said: "The ordinary Sabbath plate collection for any one of our missionary or benevolent causes is very disappointing. It indicates that only a small portion of our members are interested in the missionary and benevolent work of the Church. The contributions of almost all are placed on the plate as a matter of form or habit. Aside from a few gifts that are made conscientiously and intelligently, the offerings of the people are about the same from Sabbath to Sabbath, without regard to the cause announced. Not very long since one of our strong churches took its annual offering for Home Missions. When it was announced that the offering aggregated \$1,800, the people probably congratulated themselves on the liberality of their church. There were 683 persons present. One hundred and fifty-six gave under ten cents, 119 gave from ten to twenty-five cents, 196 gave nothing at all, 471 of the 683 persons present gave the munificent sum of \$39.52 toward the \$1,800 annual offering for Home Missions. But these 471 congratulated themselves on their liberality by getting under the umbrellas of ten of the congregation, one of whom gave \$200, two gave \$150, two \$125, and five gave \$100 each, ten members of the congregation giving \$1,250."

An analysis of most of the offerings of our churches will indicate a similar condition of things. A revival in conscientious giving is the need of the hour. This revival will be here 'ere long if the sessions, especially the lay portion of them, would give more careful thought and diligent application to the best methods—as if they were conducting the Lord's business like their own.

The Committee recommends the following resolutions:

1. That the Sessions of all our churches be reminded of their responsibility in connection with the stimulation and systematic development of Church benevolence, and be urged to devise and faithfully carry out some plan so that the entire constituency of each church shall have a part in sustaining the authorized missionary and benevolent causes of the Church.
2. That the Sessions of our Synod make larger use of the literature of the Boards and of General Assembly's Committee on Beneficence.
3. That the officers and members of our churches be reminded of the duty of devoting a definite proportion of their income to the Lord, and that "one-tenth of increase" is the minimum proportion mentioned in the Scriptures, as one-seventh is the minimum of time devoted to the Lord.
4. That Synod appropriate \$25 for the work of this Committee for the ensuing year.

WM. W. CASSELBERRY,  
*Chairman.*

## XVI.—REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The Custodians of Historical Material respectfully report that the following material has been placed upon the Synod's shelves during the year:

*From James Steen, Esq.:*

Copy of the deed of the Presbyterian Church at Quihawken, or Penn's Neck, N. J. (now Pennsville), dated April 18th, 1748.

Photograph of a deed between Andrew Mattison, of Freehold, and the Trustees of the "Presbyterian Churches of Monmouth County, dated July 8th, 1767, and a copy of the "Presbyterian," with an article describing the same.

*From Mrs. William M. Paxton:*

In memoriam, William Miller Paxton, D.D., LL.D., New York, 1905.

*From Mr. John A. Anderson:*

Photograph of the first building of the Presbyterian Church, Lambertville.

*From the Session of the First Church, Passaic, through Rev. James S. Young:*

Memorial, Rev. Philo F. Leavens, D.D., 1906.

*From the Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D.:*

History and manual, First Presbyterian Church, Millville.

WALTER A. BROOKS,  
JOSEPH H. DULLES,

*Custodians.*

## XVII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

The Committee on Historical Materials respectfully reports that its work during the past year, while not of a character to attract popular attention, has nevertheless been progressive and effective. When your Committee is not at work discovering the ancient tombstones of the honored Presbyterian dead, or erecting noble monuments to Presbyterian history, it is engaged in other historical labors which, though seemingly incidental, are necessary and relevant to its purpose. The work of research and the gathering of material is always going forward (or backward, as the matter may be), and there is consequently a constant gain in things historical and antiquarian. Your Committee is still guided by the counsel and experience of its chairman of sixteen years, Dr. Allen H. Brown, who though unable to be present here to-day, has not lost in the least his infectious enthusiasm for the fruitful past of our Church, nor has his spiritual force abated.

The present year (1906) is a year of many anniversaries, and prominent among them all is that of the bi-centennial of the organization of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. This anniversary will be brought to the attention of this Synod by the Committee on Young People's Societies, whose chairman has had a part on the General Assembly's Committee on Young People's Societies in the preparation of an order of service for the celebration of this event, but your Committee may be pardoned for calling attention to the fact that its work in years past, under the tireless energy of its chairman, Dr. Brown, has contributed immensely to the body of facts and historical materials which have been marshalled to support and illumine this 200th anniversary. The discovery of the grave of John Boyd and the rearing of the Presbyterian monument in the old cemetery at Wickatunk may be instanced as confirmatory of this claim.

A number of the local churches of the Synod are celebrating anniversaries this year. West Milford, in the Presbytery of Jersey City, observes its centennial anniversary, and Burlington, in Monmouth, its seventieth. The First Church of Atlantic City and Manalapan, in Monmouth, celebrate semi-centennials. Interesting services were held at Manalapan on September 20th, and Atlantic City First will celebrate on October 28th and 30th the laying of the corner-stone of the church, with a sermon Sunday by Dr. William Aikman and a social evening during the week.

The Knox Presbyterian Church, of Kearny, will celebrate during November its first quarter of a century, having been organized in 1881, and the First Church at Elmer, Salem county, will also celebrate its quarter-centennial. This Committee suggests that churches using printed matter at these occasional celebrations should send such matter to the Stated Clerk, for the Custodians of Historical Materials.

Two of the permanent committees of the Synod have this year rounded out twenty years of service, and your Committee on Historical

Materials, which is one of them, extends its heartfelt congratulations to the Committee on Synodical Home Missions, which also at this time is celebrating its twentieth year anniversary. May its next twenty years of service be as fruitful of results for the Kingdom of the Master as were the past.

Your Committee would report that one project that it has pursued somewhat interruptedly for several years, that of collecting and preserving the record of Presbyterian ministers buried in the State of New Jersey, will be greatly facilitated through the labors of the Women's Branch of the New Jersey Historical Society, which is making a systematic visitation to all the burying-grounds of the State for the purpose of taking all the inscriptions. These records are neatly bound and are available at the New Jersey Historical Society's library. Your Committee would commend the thorough work of the New Jersey Historical Society in this and other departments of research, and express its hearty appreciation of that society's helpfulness in many lines of your Committee's investigations. It may interest the members of the Synod to know that Old Tennant Church has been officially designated, by a committee of the New Jersey Historical Society, as one of six colonial structures to be the subjects of etchings to be made for the Colonial Society of America.

The Committee on Historical Materials would draw attention to the enterprise of the Custodians of Historical Materials in providing a card-index for the valuable collection under their care, and would urge upon the members of Synod the importance of increasing these historical materials by gifts of books, pamphlets, manuscripts, pictures, or anything bearing upon or related to the history of our denomination.

The Committee would call the attention of the Synod to the fact that the Presbytery of Havana has been transferred by the General Assembly from the jurisdiction of this Synod to that of the Synod of Florida, and that consequently the position of Rev. Pedro Rioseco on this Committee as a representative of Havana Presbytery is necessarily void.

Recommendation: In view of the great importance of collecting and preserving historical matter relating to the history of our denomination in this State, your Committee would recommend that the Synod urge upon ministers, elders and church members the importance and necessity of increasing the store of treasures now in the care of the custodians by contributions of books, pamphlets and documents, which, through search or by chance, may come into their hands.

In conclusion, your Committee may be pardoned on this, its twentieth anniversary, for reviewing briefly

#### THE HISTORY OF THE SYNOD'S COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

This Committee originated officially at a meeting of the New Jersey Synod, held October 18th, 1886, at Camden, but long before that time there had been forming in the mind of Rev. Allen H. Brown the idea which, at this meeting, took tangible shape in a resolution offered by himself. The Moderator entertained the motion, and in consonance with



the vote of the Synod, he prosecuted the matter by requesting the maker of the motion to name for him a committee. Mr. Brown submitted the names of Rev. Henry C. Cameron, D.D., Rev. William T. Findley, D.D., Rev. George S. Mott, D.D., and Elders S. H. Pennington, M.D., and James Steen, Esq. The committee was appointed accordingly, but Rev. Dr. Gosman noticed that the maker of the motion had not named himself, and moved that his, Mr. Brown's, name be added to the committee, which was done immediately.

The committee held its first meeting November 18th, 1886, in the parlor of the First Presbyterian Church of Newark, with every member present, and steps were taken immediately to vigorously prosecute the work of their department. At the next meeting of Synod the committee presented brief sketches of the histories of the Presbyteries of the Synod, and much other useful and valuable material, and similar reports were made each year. After faithfully serving the committee as chairman for four years, Dr. Cameron resigned from that office in 1890, and Rev. Allen H. Brown was appointed in his place. To refer in detail to the many labors and achievements of the committee would be an unnecessary review, even if the time permitted, of matters that are on record permanently in the minutes of this Synod, but another reference to the Presbyterian monument and its accompanying and tributary historical matters may be pardoned. This important and useful service, the erection of a monument to the early Presbyterian heroes of our State and country, your committee believes to be thus far the greatest work it has been permitted to do. Future generations will be glad for this service to Presbyterianism and true religion, and the Synod of New Jersey may be happy in the realization of the fact that through its own committee such a worthy and lasting work has been accomplished. It was not done in a day, it was not done without discouragements, but it was done, nevertheless, and there it stands.

In 1890 this committee requested the Synod to appoint Rev. Walter A. Brooks, the Stated Clerk of the Synod, and Rev. Joseph H. Dulles, Librarian of the Princeton Theological Seminary, as custodians of all books, documents and other historical material presented to, or committed to the care of, the Synod. Their appointment followed, and they still retain their very useful positions.

Of the original members of this committee only two of the ministers still survive, and both are still members. Dr. Mott and Dr. Findley have passed away, but Dr. Cameron\* and Dr. Brown are still among us.

Looking back over the past twenty years, your Committee rejoice in what they have been able to do in their peculiar province for the honor of the Church and the Kingdom, and as they turn to the unknown future, they ask only opportunity and ability to serve as acceptably as in the past.

JOSEPH F. FOLSOM,  
For ALLEN H. BROWN.

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\*Dr. Cameron died October 27th, 1906.

## XVIII.—MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The General Assembly of 1906 unanimously adopted the report of its Special Committee on Sustentation, which recommended "That a Committee of Administration be appointed, consisting of fifteen members, of whom seven shall be ministers, who shall have power to approve the details of organization, and to take the other steps necessary to put the plan into immediate operation."

The Committee named was:

Howard Duffield, D.D., New York, N. Y., *Chairman*.

Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., Elizabeth, N. J.

John R. Sutherland, D.D., Burlington, Iowa.

W. H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D., Philadelphia, Pa.

A. Edwin Keigwin, D. D., New York, N. Y.

Robert Mackenzie, D.D., New York, N. Y.

Cleland B. McAfee, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Thomas W. Synnott, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. W. D. Foster, Ottumwa, Iowa.

Mr. Clayton E. Crafts, Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Francis B. Griffin, New York, N. Y.

Mr. Gilbert Colgate, New York, N. Y.

Mr. L. G. Fouse, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. James Studebaker, South Bend, Ind.

Mr. Louis H. Severance, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Committee at a meeting in New York on Wednesday, June 20th, organized, and elected Dr. Roberts, Recording Secretary; Dr. Sutherland, Corresponding Secretary; and Dr. Mott, Special Representative. Dr. Roberts was made Treasurer by action of the Assembly.

### THE STATUS OF THE MOVEMENT.

This movement had its origin in the report of the Standing Committee on Relief of the General Assembly of 1901, which called for a Special Committee to consider the whole question of Ministerial Sustentation.

A Special Committee of the General Assembly, appointed in 1902, has worked upon this problem from year to year, and made its final report to the General Assembly of 1906. The present Committee of Administration exists to carry out the provisions of the report.

The principle which the Committee aims to work out was stated in the report to the General Assembly of 1901, in the following language:

"Your Committee is convinced that the standard of honor attaching to the retired Army and Navy officers should be at least equaled



by that accorded to the officers of the King of Kings who have for good reasons been retired from the active work of the pastorate. But this cannot be obtained until such time as the minister who has been retired by age or disability contracted in the service shall have been placed beyond the need of support which can simply be regarded as charity."

This sentiment was enthusiastically endorsed by the Assembly, and the Elders spontaneously called a mass meeting, at which they unanimously pledged themselves to the support of a movement having that end in view.

The conception of duty here urged upon the Church has been felt throughout its history. The Old School Church, in 1857, feeling after some plan, stated its conviction as follows: "These claims were not based on the ground of a charitable obligation, but on the immutable principles of strict right." The New School Assembly of 1864 asserted itself as follows: "These conditions plainly indicate ministerial provision to the end of life by the Church of Christ to be the just claim of Christ's servants and the duty of His people. Be it noted and kept distinctly in view that it is a claim of the one and a duty of the other; not a charity received by one and dispensed by the other."

In line, therefore, with the historic feeling of the Church is the utterance adopted by the General Assembly of 1906: "The adequate maintenance of the aged and disabled ministers of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and the dependent families of the deceased ministers, as hereinafter defined, is to be regarded as much a moral obligation upon the Presbyterian Church at large as the payment of salaries by particular churches."

#### THE PLAN OF THIS MOVEMENT.

There appears to have been at no time any difference of opinion as to the obligation of the Church in this matter. What was lacking was some adequate plan for meeting it. It is such a plan which the Assembly's Special Committee for the past four years has been developing. A certain business basis was needed. The first step was, of course, to determine what sums should be given to those who, for want of any other distinctive word, were called annuitants. It was decided to provide \$500 per year for honorably retired ministers; for disabled ministers, \$100 per year, together with \$10 per year for every year of service over five years in the Presbyterian ministry, not to exceed in the aggregate \$500 annually; and for the widow of a deceased minister, so long as she remains a widow, or for the minor orphan children collectively as a family, the sum of \$300 annually.

These amounts are small, but are far in excess of the provision now afforded. The Board of Relief gives the honorably retired ministers at most \$300 per annum, and provides only about \$150 for the widow or dependent family, while the appropriation for the disabled varies, but

is small. It must be remembered, moreover, that the highest advantage obtains on this plan from the fact that the annuity is regarded as a right, and therefore its reception as an honor.

It was necessary to know how much the carrying out of this work would cost. While, in the ordinary sense, this had nothing to do with life insurance, estimates of cost must proceed upon the strict actuarial principles of the highest class of life insurance companies. Such protection as was involved would cost so much in the market. The Committee set about finding exactly what that cost was. Data were obtained from the office of the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, giving the life records of 5,862 ministers, covering a period from the beginning of the nineteenth century to its close. The work of arriving at an actual financial basis from these facts was entrusted to Mr. L. G. Fouse, President of the Fidelity Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, and a member of the Committee. The cost of the total protection was found for the ages from twenty-one to sixty. At the age of thirty-five, for example, it would cost \$100.94 annually. This does not include the cost of administration, which would add about ten per cent. Of course, this would mean economical administration and no large salaries.

#### METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION.

It might seem that the principle of the movement could be realized only if the Church in some manner met the whole obligation. But the consideration was urged that a sentiment might prevail among the givers in our churches to the effect that the minister, however inadequate his salary, ought to try to save at least a percentage of it; that ordinarily he does this in some limited life insurance or other small investment; and that for him to give something towards the fund would be to show good faith, upon which the Church would be inclined to respond more heartily and generously. It has therefore been arranged that the ministers shall pay a percentage of the cost annually. A minister's rates are not based upon salary, but at the same age all pay the same premium, and at the close all share the same benefit, with the idea of recognizing no distinction within the ministry. It is the best form of investment for those with small salaries, and should be a matter of honor as well as interest with those whose salaries are larger.

The major portion of the amount is to be derived from gifts and bequests made to the permanent fund, and by collections from the churches; or any church as an organization, or any person, may provide for an individual minister if desired. The plan will work equally well for one minister and for the total ministry of our Church.

#### THE AGE LIMIT.

The age limit at which a minister may enter into the plan is sixty. It has been found an impracticable business proposition beyond that age. Those of sixty years and over will still have the ministrations.

of the Board of Relief. This Board, through its Secretary, at the last General Assembly, expressed its deep interest in this plan. The assistance it would afford the Board is clear; for to the extent to which the ministers enter upon the present plan, the Board could increase its appropriations to its remaining beneficiaries.

COST OF ADMINISTRATION FOR THE FIRST YEAR.

In order to the successful working of this plan the Committee of Administration needs an office, which the Assembly has located in New York. The nature and scope of the work must at once be gotten before the Church at large. Printing must be done and literature distributed. The estimated total is some twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for this year.

Your Committee believe that no more important work has ever been entrusted to a Committee of the Presbyterian Church. Its conduct will give an element of just self-respect to those ministers who through disability or advanced age are out of active service, and will put the Church in a more dignified attitude.

The conclusion is irrefragable that the labors of the Committee of Administration should be pushed at this time with the greatest vigor. The Committee confidently appeals to the generosity of the members of the Church, and to the hearty support of the ministers themselves, in making the plan the success which is hoped for.

Signed in behalf of the Committee,

HOWARD DUFFIELD, *Chairman.*

JOHN R. SUTHERLAND, *Corresponding Secretary.*

HENRY ELLIOTT MOTT, *Special Representative.*

WM. H. ROBERTS, *Treasurer.*

## MINISTERS' SUSTENTATION FUND.

Age	Disability Annuity. \$250.00 Annual.	Annuity at Age 70. \$500.00 Annual.	Widows' Annuity. \$300.00 Annual.	Total Payments. Annual.	Ministers' Proportion, Annual.		
					20%	30%	50%
21	\$7 93	\$15 75	\$57 12	\$80 80	\$16 16	\$24 24	\$40 40
22	8 13	16 55	54 99	79 67	15 93	23 90	39 84
23	8 33	17 40	53 52	79 25	15 85	21 78	39 63
24	8 55	18 25	52 53	79 33	15 87	23 80	39 67
25	8 78	19 20	51 87	79 85	15 97	23 96	39 93
26	9 03	20 20	51 51	80 74	16 15	24 23	40 37
27	9 30	21 25	51 27	81 82	16 36	24 55	40 91
28	9 60	22 35	51 42	83 37	16 67	25 01	41 69
29	9 90	23 55	51 66	85 11	17 02	25 53	42 56
30	10 23	24 80	52 05	87 08	17 42	26 12	43 54
31	10 58	26 15	52 59	89 32	17 86	26 80	44 66
32	10 95	27 60	53 31	91 86	18 37	27 56	45 93
33	11 38	29 10	54 12	94 60	18 92	28 38	47 30
34	11 80	30 75	55 08	97 63	19 53	29 29	48 82
35	12 28	32 50	56 16	100 94	20 19	30 28	50 47
36	12 78	34 40	57 36	104 54	20 91	31 36	52 27
37	13 30	36 45	58 68	108 43	21 69	32 53	54 22
38	13 88	38 05	60 15	112 68	22 54	33 80	56 34
39	14 50	41 00	61 53	117 03	23 41	35 11	58 52
40	15 13	43 60	63 39	122 12	24 42	36 64	61 06
41	15 85	46 40	65 19	127 44	25 49	38 23	63 72
42	16 60	49 45	68 11	134 16	26 83	40 25	67 08
43	17 40	52 80	69 18	139 38	27 88	41 81	69 69
44	18 28	56 45	71 37	146 10	29 22	43 83	73 05
45	19 20	60 45	73 74	153 39	30 67	46 02	76 70
46	20 20	64 90	76 29	161 39	32 27	48 42	80 70
47	21 28	69 80	79 02	170 10	34 02	51 03	85 05
48	22 43	75 25	81 93	179 61	35 92	53 88	89 81
49	23 63	81 35	85 11	190 06	38 01	57 02	95 03
50	24 93	88 15	88 53	201 61	40 32	60 48	100 81
51	26 30	95 85	92 22	214 37	42 87	64 31	107 19
52	27 78	104 50	96 21	228 49	45 70	68 55	114 25
53	29 33	114 35	100 53	244 21	48 84	73 26	122 11
54	30 98	125 65	105 30	261 93	52 39	78 58	130 97
55	32 73	138 70	110 52	281 95	56 39	84 58	140 98
56	34 63	153 80	116 31	304 74	60 96	91 42	152 37
57	36 68	171 55	122 88	331 11	66 22	99 33	165 56
58	38 88	192 60	130 38	361 86	72 37	108 56	180 93
59	41 23	217 90	139 08	398 21	79 64	119 46	199 11
60	43 73	248 85	149 37	441 95	88 39	132 58	220 98

Add 6 per cent for expenses of administration.

## XIX.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES.

ALLEN H. BROWN IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF  
NEW JERSEY.

1905.

*Dr.*

Oct. 16.	To balance in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co.		
	in General Fund, .....	\$8 82	
	in Monumental Fund, .....	136 15	
			<hr/> \$144 97
Dec. 31.	To accrued interest—		
	in General Fund, .....	\$9 46	
	in Monumental Fund, .....	3 70	
			<hr/> 13 16
1906.			
	To interest on Beakey mortgage, .....	50 00	
	To interest on Barnegat mortgage, .....	36 25	
			<hr/> \$244 38

1906.

*Cr.*

	By payment to Pastor Brainerd Church, .....	\$9 46	
	By payment to Forked River Church, .....	36 25	
Sept. 14.	By care Historical Monument ground (one year)...	10 00	
Oct. 15.	By balance in Trust Co.—		
	in General Fund, .....	\$8 82	
	in Monumental Fund, .....	179 85	
			<hr/> 188 67
			<hr/> \$244 38

ALLEN H. BROWN,

*Treasurer.*

Examined October 17th, 1906, and found correct.

STANLEY WHITE,  
EDGAR C. MASON,  
CORNELIUS H. CLARK,  
ROBERT S. GRUMMON.

The Monumental Fund, \$1,000, is in the Beakey mortgage.

The Holmes Fund, \$725, is in the Barnegat mortgage.

The Wurts Legacy, \$525, is finally invested in the Manse of the Brainerd Church at Elwood, which, without the land, is valued at \$4,000. For security, the Trustees hold a lien upon the property, without interest, for the amount invested.

ALLEN H. BROWN,

*Treasurer.*

## XX.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

EBEN B. COBB, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

*Dr.*

To balance from previous account, .....	\$465 40	
To apportionment from eight Presbyteries, .....	570 00	
To advertising, .....	10 00	
		<hr/> \$1,045 40

*Cr.*

By janitor's bill (Cape May), .....	\$10 00	
By salaries for year ending October 1st, 1906.....	160 00	
By expenses of officers of Synod, .....	27 70	
By expenses of Evangelistic Committee, .....	39 42	
By expenses of Committee on Systematic Benefi- cence, .....	25 00	
By printing of Minutes, .....	315 10	
By printing New Laws, .....	26 75	
By bond of Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, .....	25 00	
By expenses of auditing the account of Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, .....	2 80	
By balance on hand October 1st, 1906, .....	413 63	
		<hr/> \$1,045 40

Elizabeth, N. J., October 1st, 1906.

EBEN B. COBB,  
*Treasurer.*

Examined October 17th. 1906, and found correct.

STANLEY WHITE,  
EDGAR C. MASON,  
CORNELIUS H. CLARK,  
ROBERT S. GRUMMON.

## XXI.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO consists of thirteen ministers, of whom one-third are native Africans, and has under its care four licentiates, three local evangelists and thirteen candidates.

*Minister dismissed—*

Rev. Robert Hamill Nassau, S.T.D., to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

*Minister received—*

Rev. Arthur James Langlois, from the Presbytery of Genesee.

*Licensed—*

Bodumba.

Ntyuwakero.

WILLIAM M. DAGER,  
*Stated Clerk.*

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH consists of forty-four ministers and thirty-three churches, and has under its care one local evangelist and one candidate for the ministry.

*Ministers received—*

April 17th, 1906, Rev. Robert M. Craig, from the Presbytery of Santa Fe.

October 2d, 1906, Rev. Thomas D. Wesley, from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

*Ministers dismissed—*

April 17th, 1906, Rev. Lester M. Conrow, to the Presbytery of Boston.

September 4th, 1906, Rev. Albert E. Wirth, to the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

*Ordained—*

April 27th, 1906, Mr. Ernest R. Brown.

*Installed—*

April 27th, 1906, Rev. Ernest R. Brown, as pastor of Carteret Church.  
October 12th, 1906, Rev. Charles F. A. Klein, Ph.D., D.D., as pastor of the First German Church, of Rahway.

Arrangements have been made to install Rev. Thomas D. Wesley as pastor of the Pluckamin Church, on October 30th, 1906.

*Dissolved pastoral relations—*

April 17th, 1906, Rev. Lester M. Conrow and the Lamington Church, took effect April 30th, 1906.



April 17th, 1906, Rev. Samuel Parry and the Pluckamin Church, took effect April 30th, 1906.

September 4th, 1906, Rev. Albert E. Wirth and the First German Church, Elizabeth, took effect September 12th, 1906.

*Received candidate—*

April 17th, 1906, Mr. Charles De Pethö.

*Licensed—*

June 19th, 1906, Mr. Henry Arthur Pearce.

*Dismissed licentiate—*

October 2d, 1906, Mr. Henry Arthur Pearce, to the Central Congregational Association of the State of New York.

*Chapel dedicated—*

October 2d, 1906, at Garwood, N. J., the property of the Trustees of Presbytery.

*Ministers deceased—*

May 14th, 1906, on the Atlantic ocean, Rev. Benjamin Labaree, D.D., aged 72.

July 19th, 1906, at Plainfield, N. J., Rev. Joseph G. Williamson, aged 82.

SAMUEL PARRY,  
*Stated Clerk.*

III. THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY consists of forty-nine ministers and thirty-eight churches, and has under its care three licentiates and four candidates.

*Ministers Received—*

December 4th, 1905, Rev. Walter B. Greenway, from the Presbytery of Newark.

December 4th, 1905, Rev. Calvin W. Laufer, from the Presbytery of New York.

February 20th, 1906, Rev. Charles Ellis Smith, from the Presbytery of New York.

April 17th, 1906, Rev. James Dallas Steele, from the Presbytery of New York and Vermont, in connection with the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in America.

October 2d, 1906, Rev. DeWitt C. Snyder, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

*Ministers Dismissed—*

December 4th, 1905, Rev. David A. Craig, to the Presbytery of Morris, and Orange.

December 4th, 1905, Rev. James Johnson Coale, to the Presbytery of New York.

February 5th, 1906, Rev. Charles I. Junkin, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

February 5th, 1906, Rev. Charles S. Tator, to the Presbytery of Nassau.

April 17th, 1906, Rev. George R. Garretson, to the Presbytery of Long Island.

October 2d, 1906, Rev. Thomas D. Wesley, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

*Licentiate Received—*

June 4th, 1906, George O. Tamblyn, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

*Ordinations—*

October 26th, 1905, Clarence E. Macartney.

November 2d, 1905, James Johnson Coale.

June 14th, 1906, George O. Tamblyn.

*Installations—*

October 26th, 1905, Rev. Clarence E. Macartney, as pastor of First Church, Paterson.

December 8th, 1905, Rev. Calvin W. Laufer, as pastor of the First Church of West Hoboken.

December 14th, 1905, Rev. Walter B. Greenway, as pastor of the Westminster Church of Jersey City.

February 20th, 1906, Rev. Charles Ellis Smith, as pastor of the West Side Church, of Englewood.

May 8th, 1906, Rev. James Dallas Steele, as pastor of the First Church, of Passaic.

June 14th, 1906, Rev. George O. Tamblyn, as pastor of the Leonia Church.

*Pastoral Relations Dissolved—*

December 4th, 1905, Rev. David A. Craig and the Emmanuel Church, of Rutherford.

May 27th, 1906, Rev. David Chambers Stewart and the Madison Avenue Church, of Paterson.

June 1st, 1906, Rev. John C. Scarborough and the St. Augustine Church, of Paterson.

*Candidates Licensed—*

November 2d, 1905, James Johnson Coale.

October 2d, 1906, George Roberts, Jr.

*Candidates Received—*

December 4th, 1905, Jacob Pfister.

June 4th, 1906, Jacob Dapp.

June 4th, 1906, George Roberts, Jr.

*Church Name Changed—*

April 17th, 1906, First Church, of Bayonne, to Christ Church, of Bayonne.

*Church Organized—*

May 24th, 1906, First Church, of Teaneck.

*Church Celebration—*

October 11th, 1906, one hundredth anniversary of the church at West Milford.

JAMES SCOTT YOUNG,  
*Stated Clerk.*

IV. THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH reports that it consists of fifty-four ministers, and has under its care forty-eight churches, two licentiates and six candidates.

*Members received—*

October 17th, 1905, Rev. James M. Eckard, from the Presbytery of Northumberland.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. J. Marshall Rutherford, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

September 25th, 1906, Rev. Arthur W. Remington, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

*Candidate received—*

June 26th, 1906, George W. Norcross, member of the Burlington Church.

*Licentiate received—*

June 26th, 1906, C. Allen Fisher, from the Presbytery of Carlisle.

*Ordination—*

June 26th, 1906, C. Allen Fisher.

*Dismissed—*

November 9th, 1905, Rev. J. W. Purcell, to the Presbytery of Winchester, in Presbyterian Church of the United States.

March 6th, 1906, Rev. A. F. Gordon McKay, to the Presbytery of Wyoming.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. S. D. Price, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. John H. Bradley, D.D., to the Presbytery of New York.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. Herman C. Fox, D.D., to the Presbytery of Arizona.

*Pastoral relations dissolved—*

November 10th, 1905, Rev. Jno. W. Purcell, Ph.D., and the church of Manalapan.

January 23d, 1906, Rev. Wm. Hollinshed, and the churches of Jacksonville and Providence.

March 6th, 1906, Rev. A. F. Gordon McKay, and the church of Manasquan.

March 29th, 1906, Rev. Herman C. Fox, D.D., and the church of Freehold.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. Samuel D. Price, and the church of Shrewsbury.

September 25th, 1906, Rev. Henry T. Graham, and the church of Englishtown.

#### *Installations—*

November 2d, 1905, Rev. Jas. M. Eckard, as pastor of Hope (Lake-wood) Church.

July 5th, 1906, Rev. J. M. Rutherford, over the church of Manasquan.

August 9th, 1906, Rev. C. Allen Fisher, as pastor of the church of Manalapan.

October 3d, 1906, Rev. Arthur W. Remington, as pastor of the church of Freehold.

#### *Deaths—*

June 25th, 1906, Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D.D.,

BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,  
*Stated Clerk.*

V. THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of forty-four churches, sixty-three ministers, and has under its care five candidates.

#### *Ministers received—*

January 16th, 1906, C. P. Metzler, from the Presbytery of Shantung, China.

January 16th, 1906, D. A. Craig, from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

September 28th, 1906, Geo. K. Newell, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

#### *Installations—*

February 7th, 1906, D. A. Craig, over the church at Parsippany.

April 20th, 1906, John Macnaughton, over the church at Chatham.

July 3d, 1906, Gottlieb Reusch, over the church at Meyersville.

September 28th, 1906, G. K. Newell, over the church at St. Cloud.

#### *Pastoral relations dissolved—*

November 28th, 1905, Christopher Bauer, and church at Meyersville.

June 19th, 1906, R. G. McGregor, and church at St. Cloud.

June 19th, 1906, J. W. Lowden, and church at Pleasant Grove.

#### *Ministers dismissed—*

November 28th, 1905, Christopher Bauer, to Presbytery of Nassau.

June 19th, 1906, R. G. McGregor, to Presbytery of Westchester.

September 20th, 1906, Heinrich Braem, to Presbytery of Brooklyn.

*Candidates licensed—*

April 10th, 1906, Carl H. Elmore.  
April 10th, 1906, Frank L. Janeway.  
June 19th, 1906, A. T. Tamblyn.  
June 19th, 1906, Gottlieb Reusch.  
June 19th, 1906, Heinrich Braem.

*Licentiates ordained—*

July 1st, 1906, A. T. Tamblyn.  
July 3d, 1906, Gottlieb Reusch.  
September 20th, 1906, Heinrich Braem.  
September 25th, 1906, C. H. Elmore.  
September 25th, 1906, F. L. Janeway.

*Candidates received—*

April 10th, 1906, Gottlieb Reusch.

*Candidate dismissed—*

April 10th, 1906, G. A. Hulbert, to Presbytery of Nassau.

*Candidates taken under care of Presbytery—*

April 10th, 1906, Jesse Herrmann.  
April 10th, 1906, James M. Henry.

STANLEY WHITE,  
*Stated Clerk.*

VI. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of sixty-four ministers and thirty-eight churches, and has under its care twenty-one candidates and one local evangelist.

*Ministers Received—*

May 9th, 1906, Samuel T. Graham, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.  
October 3d, 1906, E. Morris Fergusson, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

*Ministers Dismissed—*

November 27th, 1905, Walter B. Greenway, to the Presbytery of Jersey City.  
December 18th, 1905, Thomas R. Bridges, D. D., to the Classis of New York Reformed Church in America.  
May 9th, 1906, Everett O. McFarland, to the Congregational Association of Brooklyn, New York.

*Name Dropped from the Roll from Union with other Religious Bodies—*

October 3d, 1906, Rev. Joseph Vitale, from union with Baptist Church.

*Installation—*

- October 20th, 1905, Rev. Albert N. Stubblebine, as pastor of Bethany Church, Newark.  
April 5th, 1906, Rev. Joseph F. Folsom, as pastor of Clinton Avenue Church, Newark.  
May 24th, 1906, Rev. Thomas Morgan, as pastor of Cedar Avenue Church, Montclair.  
June 8th, 1906, Rev. Samuel T. Graham, as pastor of Elizabeth Avenue Church, Newark.

*Pastoral Relations Dissolved—*

- November 27th, 1905, between the Rev. Walter B. Greenway and the Elizabeth Avenue Church, Newark.  
June 7th, 1906, between the Rev. John R. Fisher and the West Church, Newark.  
October 3d, 1906, between the Rev. John J. Bridges and the Few Smith Memorial Church, Newark.  
October 3d, 1906, between the Rev. John H. Locklier and the Plane Street Church, Newark.

*Candidates Licensed—*

- April 4th, 1906, Henry J. Wahl.

*Licentiate Dismissed—*

- April 4th, 1906, Henry J. Wahl, to the Presbytery of New York.

*Churches Organized—*

- February 15th, 1906, The Clinton Avenue Church, Newark, with 152 members.  
April 1st, 1906, The Cedar Avenue Church, Montclair, with 60 members.

*Candidate Received on Examination—*

- October 3d, 1906, August Klingner.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,  
*Stated Clerk.*

VII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of seventy-two ministers, thirty-six churches, besides the Hungarian Presbyterian Church, of New Brunswick, and the Italian Evangelical Congregation, of Trenton, and has under its care six licentiates and sixteen candidates.

*Ministers Received from Other Presbyteries—*

- December 18th, 1905, Rev. William J. Bone, from the Presbytery of Puget Sound.  
January 20th, 1906, Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.

September 18th, 1906, Rev. Paul vanDyke, from the Presbytery of Geneva.

October 16th, 1906, Rev. N. Thomas Brown, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

October 16th, 1906, Rev. Robert Hamill Nassau, S.T.D., from the Presbytery of Corisco.

*Ministers Received from Other Denominations*

December 18th, 1905, Rev. Samuel Henry Forrer, from the Church of the Disciples.

January 30th, 1906, Rev. Thomas Whiteside, from Congregational Church of Ireland, after year's probation.

April 23d, 1906, Rev. Charles E. Corwin, from Classis of Hudson, Reformed Church of America.

*Ordination sine titulo.*

May 14th, 1906, Hironari Senouye.

*Ministers Dismissed to Other Presbyteries—*

April 10th, 1906, Rev. Samuel H. Forrer, to the Presbytery of Huron.

April 23d, 1906, Rev. Maitland V. Bartlett, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

April 23d, 1906, Rev. Samuel T. Graham, to the Presbytery of Newark.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. E. Morris Fergusson, to the Presbytery of Newark.

*Minister Dismissed to Another Denomination—*

April 11th, 1906, Rev. William D. Robeson, to New Jersey Conference A. M. E. Zion Church.

*Minister's Name Dropped for Abandoning the Ministry—*

April 11th, 1906, Rev. Henry E. Hibshman.

*Pastoral Relation Dissolved—*

April 23d, 1906, Rev. Samuel T. Graham, with Dutch Neck Church, to take effect May 15th.

*Pastoral Relations Constituted—*

November 8th, 1905, Rev. Egedius Kellmayer, installed pastor of Titusville Church,

December 5th, 1905, Rev. Henry S. VanOsten, installed pastor of Kirkpatrick Memorial Church.

January 2d, 1906, Rev. William J. Bone, installed pastor of Stockton Church.

February 15th, 1906, Rev. Thomas J. Whiteside, installed pastor of Amwell Second Church.

February 28th, 1906, Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, installed pastor of Princeton First Church.



March 2d, 1906, Rev. William I. Campbell, installed pastor of Princeton Second Church.

October 26th, 1906, Rev. N. Thomas Brown, Ph.D., installed pastor of Dutch Neck Church.

*Candidates Received from Other Presbyteries—*

January 30th, 1906, Edwin H. Kellogg, from Presbytery of Allegheny.

January 30th, 1906, Hironari Senouye, from Presbytery of San Francisco.

*Candidates Received on Examination—*

April 10th, 1906, William A. Clemmer.

June 26th, 1906, Oscar Davis Brownback.

September 18th, 1906, Malcomb McDermott and Giuseppi Quattroni.

*Candidates Dismissed to Other Presbyteries—*

March 16th, 1906, Fraser L. McLeod, to the Presbytery of New Castle.

April 10th, 1906, Walter L. Bennett, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

*Licensures—*

April 23d, 1906, Paul Stratton and Hironari Senouye.

May 14th, 1906, Edgerton Samuel Carey and William A. Clemmer.

June 26th, 1906, Edwin H. Kellogg.

*Dismission of Licentiates—*

April 23d, 1906, Paul Stratton, to the Presbytery of North River.

June 26th, 1906, William A. Clemmer, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.

June 26th, 1906, Edgerton S. Carey, to the Presbytery of Winona.

June 26th, 1906, Edwin H. Kellogg, to the Presbytery of Allegheny.

*Ministers Deceased—*

December 17th, 1905, Rev. S. Stanhope Orris.

April 1st, 1906, Rev. O. Howell Hazard.

A. L. ARMSTRONG,  
*Stated Clerk.*

VIII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON consists of forty-five ministers, and has under its care thirty-five churches and two candidates for the ministry.

*Ministers Received—*

January 23d, 1906, Rev. John P. Crane and Rev. James W. Martin, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

April 24th, 1906, Rev. Ferdinand V. D. Garretson, from the Presbytery of Olympia.

June 26th, 1906, Rev. George R. Merrill, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

*Ministers Dismissed—*

- January 23d, 1906, Rev. Wm. J. Mewhinney, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.  
January 23d, 1906, Rev. James Provan, to the Presbytery of Champlain.  
April 10th, 1906, Rev. James M. Hunting, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.  
April 10th, 1906, Rev. James Halliday, to the Presbytery of Duns, of the United Free Church, Scotland.  
April 24th, 1906, Rev. Edward Eells, to the Presbytery of Boston.  
September 25th, 1906, Rev. Warren R. Ward, to the Presbytery of Steubenville.

*Installations—*

- October 26th, 1905, Rev. Joshua J. Wolf, as pastor of the Church of Marksboro.  
February 1st, 1906, Rev. James W. Martin, Ph.D., as pastor of the Church of Hackettstown.  
February 8th, 1905, Rev. John P. Crane, as pastor of the Church of Danville.  
October 10th, 1906, Rev. George R. Merrill, as pastor of the Second Church of Oxford.

*Pastoral Relations Dissolved—*

- January 23d, 1906, Rev. William J. Mewhinney, with the Second Church of Oxford, to take effect January 28th, 1906.  
January 23d, 1906, Rev. James Provan, with the Church of Musconetcong Valley, to take effect January 28th, 1906.  
April 24th, 1906, Rev. Edward Eells, with the Church of Branchville, to take effect May 1st, 1906.  
September 25th, 1906, Rev. Jonathan Greenleaf, with the Church of Sparta, to take effect October 1st, 1906.

*Candidate Received—*

- September 25th, 1906, Mr. Stewart Rice Race, on examination.

*Ministers Deceased—*

- January 24th, 1906, Rev. Robert J. Burt, at Marksboro, N. J., aged 80 years.  
September 28th, 1906, Rev. George W. Lloyd, at Branchville, N. J., aged 85 years.

E. CLARKE CLINE,  
*Stated Clerk.*

IX. THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY consists of seventy ministers and sixty-three churches, and has under its care eleven candidates for the ministry.

*Ministers Received—*

- December 7th, 1905, Edward Franklin Reimer, from Presbytery of Lehigh.  
April 17th, 1906, Richard A. Rinker, from Presbytery of Philadelphia.  
April 17th, 1906, Francis J. Collier, D.D., from Presbytery of Chester.  
April 18th, 1906, James M. Huntting, from Presbytery of Newton.  
June 20th, 1906, Maitland V. Bartlett, from Presbytery of New Brunswick.  
September 18th, 1906, Samuel D. Price, from Presbytery of Monmouth.  
September 18th, 1906, Frank L. Snyder, from Presbytery of Siam.  
October 16th, 1906, Arthur Richards, from Detroit Conference, M. E. Church.

*Candidates Received—*

- June 20th, 1906, Walter L. Bennett, from Presbytery of New Brunswick.  
June 20th, 1906, Arnaldo Stasio, received under care of Presbytery.

*Candidate Dismissed—*

- June 20th, 1906, Walter L. Bennett, to Presbytery of Syracuse.

*Ministers Dismissed—*

- January 16th, 1906, Sylvester W. Beach, to Presbytery of New Brunswick.  
January 16th, 1906, H. Marshall Thurlow, to Presbytery of Steubenville.  
January 16th, 1906, Eugene A. Mitchell, to Presbytery of Rogersville.  
February 26th, 1906, Albert F. Van Tobel, to Presbytery of Lackawanna.  
March 9th, 1906, Isaiah B. Crist, to Presbytery of Northumberland.  
March 9th, 1906, W. Francis Berger, to Congregational Conference, Philadelphia.  
April 17th, 1906, Robert Hugh Morris, to Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.  
June 7th, 1906, Richard A. Rinker, to Presbytery of Lackawanna.  
June 20th, 1906, George L. VanAlen, to Presbytery of Chester.

*Minister Deceased—*

- April 18th, 1906, Leonidas E. Coyle, Bridgeton, N. J.

*Installations—*

- November 2d, 1905, Homer W. Taylor, as pastor of the church of Blackwood.  
December 7th, 1905, Edward Franklin Reimer, pastor of the church of Collingswood.  
April 26th, 1906, James M. Huntting, pastor of the church of Glassboro.

May 3d, 1906, Harold S. Rambo, pastor of the church of Haddon Heights.

September 19th, 1906, Samuel D. Price, pastor of the church of Calvary, Camden.

*Licensures—*

June 20th, 1906, Walter L. Bennett.

*Pastoral Relations Dissolved—*

January 16th, 1906, H. Marshall Thurlow, with the church of Hamonton.

February 26th, 1906, Albert F. Van Tobel, with the Calvary Church, Camden.

March 9th, 1906, Harold S. Rambo, with the church of Absecon.

May 1st, 1905, Robert Hugh Morris, with the church of Elmer.

September 18th, 1906, David H. Lavery, D.D., with the church of Cold Spring.

September 18th, 1906, Samuel H. Potter, with the Fourth Church, Bridgeton.

September 18th, 1906, Arthur W. Spooner, D.D., with the church of Cape May.

*Church Organized—*

January 5th, 1906, the Third Church of Camden.

*Students' Permits—*

April 18th, 1906, Walter L. Bennett, Holly Beach.

April 18th, 1906, T. C. McWhite.

April 18th, 1906, William P. Blair.

June 20th, 1906, Herbert A. Gibbon, Absecon and Leed's Point.

June 20th, 1906, Samuel C. Benson, Osborne Memorial.

ALFRED P. BOTSFORD,  
Stated Clerk.

## Standing Rules of the Synod.

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- I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Monday of October, at 8 o'clock P.M., unless otherwise ordered.
- II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk, and a Treasurer.
- III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been the longest without having a representative in the Moderator's chair shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.
- IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form; to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod; to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church, and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable intervals. The Stated Clerk shall print an Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.
- V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening. To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

- VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.
- VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred and fifty dollars per annum; that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.
- VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting. The Treasurer is authorized to pay the necessary expenses of the several committees of Synod, said bills to be forwarded to the Treasurer of Synod on or before October 1st of each year.

### COMMITTEES.

- IX.—The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz.: Standing, Permanent and Special.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows:

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.
  2. ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.
  3. ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
  4. ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
  5. ON NARRATIVE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
  6. ON FINANCE, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home Mission Fund; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.
  7. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, a Special Finance Committee, two members—one Minister and one Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions, who shall examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod.
- X.—The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the

place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod; suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them, and provide for hearing representatives of all our Boards each year that may desire a hearing, the representatives of the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions to have thirty minutes each, and the representatives of the other Boards to have twenty minutes each.

#### PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows:

1. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS, eight members—one for each home Presbytery.

2. ON HOME MISSIONS, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Home Missions in each home Presbytery; the chairmanship of the Synod's Committee to pass annually in succession to its members in the alphabetical order of the Presbyteries represented.

3. ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, one member from the Presbytery of Corisco; the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Foreign Missions and one Ruling Elder, from each home Presbytery.

4. ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS, nine members—one for each Presbytery.

5. ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-school Work in each home Presbytery.

6. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath Observance in each home Presbytery.

7. ON TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each home Presbytery, besides the chairman.

8. ON NECROLOGY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

9. ON PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE, eight members—one from each home Presbytery.

10. ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES, a chairman appointed by Synod and the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Young People's Societies.

XII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto.

XIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.

XIV.—Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds to the Synod's Committee on Narrative at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod.



- XV.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator, or the Minister presiding in his place, at such time and place as the Committee of Arrangements shall designate.
- XVI.—The Committee on Systematic Beneficence shall co-operate with the Stated Clerk and the Committee of Arrangements in selecting topics and securing speakers to address the Synod upon the subjects of Benevolence and Church Work, and the evening session of the second day of the meeting of Synod shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses by Secretaries of Boards or others.
- XVII.—To facilitate the transaction of business, the following order shall commonly be followed, subject to such exchanges as may be made between chairmen of committees in consultation with the Committee of Arrangements:
1. The sessions of the Synod shall begin at 9 A.M., recess to be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M., and from 5 to 7:30 P.M.; devotional exercises to occupy the last half hour of each morning session.
  2. Permanent committees shall report in the following order: *Tuesday morning*, Foreign Missions, Synodical Home Missions, Narrative; *Tuesday afternoon*, Historical Materials, Home Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Young People's Societies; *Wednesday morning*, Systematic Beneficence, Sabbath Observance, Temperance; the report of the Committee on Necrology to be presented usually in connection with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.
- XVIII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions, shall be in writing and read by the Clerk.
- XIX.—The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply.
- XX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

# Permanent Committees.

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## SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

REV. SAMUEL McLANAHAN, *Chairman.*

REV. JOHN T. KERR,	REV. WILLIAM THOMSON,
REV. THOMAS TYACK, D.D.,	REV. WM. W. HALLOWAY, D.D.,
REV. ROBERT S. INGLIS,	REV. FISHER HOWE BOOTH,
REV. RAYMOND HILLIARD GAGE, <i>Clerk.</i>	

## HOME MISSIONS.

REV. HUGH B. MacCAULEY, D.D., *Chairman, 1906.*

REV. JOHN E. STUCHELL,	REV. C. RUDOLPH KUEBLER, D.D.,
REV. NELSON B. CHESTER,	REV. JAMES H. DUNHAM,
REV. EDGAR A. HAMILTON,	REV. GEORGE L. SPINING, D.D.,
REV. JOHN McMILLAN, B.D.	

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REV. WILLIAM I. STEANS, D.D.,	ELDER J. W. RANDALL,
REV. SAM'L M. HAMILTON, D.D.,	ELDER JOHN S. SILVERS,
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REV. ORVILLE REED,	ELDER DAVID McCONAUGHY,
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REV. GEORGE W. TOMSON,	ELDER P. KENNEDY REEVES.

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REV. WILLIAM MOORE,	REV. FREDERICK B. NEWMAN,
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REV. EDWARD A. McLAURY,	

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REV. GEORGE A. PAULL, D.D.,	REV. JAMES B. CLARK.
REV. PERCY Y. SCHELLY,	

\* Deceased.

**TEMPERANCE.**

REV. WILLIAM V. LOUDERBOUGH, *Chairman*,  
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 REV. JAMES DeHART BRUEN,              REV. HERBERT R. RUNDALL.

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**PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.**

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 REV. CHARLES L. CANDEE,                      REV. HARRY NESBIT,  
 REV. CHARLES E. GRANGER,                      REV. ROBERT H. NICHOLS,  
 REV. JONATHAN GREENLEAF,                      REV. GEORGE H. INGRAM,  
 REV. JOSEPH L. EWING.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.**

REV. HUGH B. MacCAULEY, D.D., *Chairman*.  
 REV. WILLIAM B. HAMILTON,                      REV. HARVEY ISERMAN,  
 REV. FRANK LUKENS,                              REV. MINOT C. MORGAN,  
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